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We want to publish your educational articles and club news in a timely manner. Please submit your items by the 15th of the following months: January, March, May, July, September, November. Send your information via email to: tnanews@sbcglobal.net





From your TNA News Editor, Ron Kersey

Happy New Year!

With all the mountains of snow in parts of the country, it makes me glad I live in Texas! And, of course, a great state for enthusiastic collectors of coins, currency and all sorts of Exonumia. We have plenty of shows to attend all over the state with TNA clubs providing several of these educational opportunities in addition to procuring that special item.

Our Board of Directors conducted their semi-annual meeting led by our new President, Richard Laster. Drawings were held for the ANA Summer Seminar and Library Grant Programs. Check pages 6-7 for names of the lucky winners and how you too can put your name in the hat for future educational grants.

In preparation for our upcoming TNA Convention the first weekend in June, our Exhibit Cochairs, Gary and Judy Dobbins, have information you can use on page 10. Do you know a young numismatist who would like to experience being a coin dealer at the TNA Coin Show in June? See page 8 where Jack Gilbert will show you how. And Doug Davis has several items from NCIC that contain important information for our members.

We have several fine articles this issue. Authentication using Specific Gravity testing is explained by Lane Brunner on pages 16-17. A great example of young numismatists in action is presented by Youth Chair, Ralph Ross, on page 12-13. We even have articles on coins don't you know!

In July 2006 I had the pleasure of becoming editor of the TNA News. This has been a most rewarding experience for me. I have made many friends along the way and have been fortunate in being exposed to so many facets of the numismatic hobby. In preparing each issue the members of TNA have outdone themselves in providing outstanding articles for our readership. Our publication has received national recognition because of the support of our TNA membership. Thank you very much for this. The year 2018 will be my last as editor. During the year we will find a qualified person to take over as editor of the TNA News and I will be offering any assistance needed to make this a smooth transition.

In the meantime all of us are going to continue producing this fine publication. Oh, yeah - it's time to get this issue to the printer!

This issue's cover photo was taken at a well known bridge in ???? See next issue for the answer.

TNA News January/February 2018



From the President

Richard Laster

Friends . . . Your president has just returned from a couple of days down Houston way. To be exact I didn't make it as far as Houston per se but traveled to a destination not far north, in fast paced Conroe. The purpose of my journey was multi-fold. First, I have had in my possession since last October one hundred flood buckets, also known as cleaning buckets. These are five gallon buckets, with lids, which are crammed full of cleaning supplies to be given to those in need of serious tools for cleaning following an event such as the recent hurricane on the Gulf Coast. There is a first responder distribution center in Conroe which houses, on the ready, several thousands of these much needed kits for getting a head start on cleanup.

My second event, my first on the Texas Numismatic schedule, was the semi annual meeting of the Association's board. It was my privilege to "chair" this event for the first time. As I stated before, I thank Debbie Williams for her wonderful leadership in years past. On Friday, January 19, approximately twenty members of the TNA Board were in attendance. We covered a sizable amount of business with one of the biggest processes involving a serious discussion about one aspect of our future, which you'll hear about later.

The third reason for leaving my comfort zone in small town Texas, and heading to more seriously populated and complicated territory, was because the meeting mentioned just above was held in conjunction with the Greater Houston Coin Club's Money Show.

I came away from the Conroe experience excited about our hobby. Your directors are wonderful folk with great ideas and commitment to the TNA in specific and to the numismatic arts in general. Attendance at the Greater Houston Coin Club show, and at a majority of the coin shows I attend, seems to be on the increase. People who attend our shows run the gamut from those who are seasoned, long time collector enthusiasts, to those who are fresh off the street novices, and a fine showing of young numismatists (YNs). Your president had a variety of interesting conversations, many of which affirmed my thought that there is more to being a collector than simply collecting coins, (or whatever your numismatic passion might be). I am thinking at the least education, insight, and friendships.

My thought here is how great it is for people to gather with a common goal, to be in fellowship with like-minded folk. A good goal is for we, who are members and friends of the Texas Numismatic Association, to be facilitators of such communication when we are proactive in offering the invitation to someone to explore TNA and to invest time in investigating what we, as an association, have to offer. I am thinking ways in which this can happen might be through personal "come join me" discussion or at local club meetings, perhaps supplying an invitation over lunch offered by the governor or by a TNA member in a given club where a few thoughts about the association are interjected along with the opportunity to explore and even join.

And another related thought here: your president and second vice president both offer ourselves as speakers for club meetings or other events. Such a presentation is a good way to hear what the association has as goals and projects. Contact information for me is on the officer page near the back of this wonderful magazine. Also look for second vice president John Adling's contact data in the same place. I can also see to arranging for a guest speaker if neither John nor I is available, or if there is someone else you'd prefer to hear from.

And one more thing . . . The TNA News has had the joy, going on 13 years, of having Ron Kersey at the wheel of editorship. Ron and I spoke just last week and he has decided that it is time to hang up the golden computer keyboard. Your president admits to being sad to see my friend Ron move forward. Ron has selflessly offered his time and talent in preparing the absolute best newsletter in the nation. (If you don't believe me, just check out our number one award from the ANA not long ago.) The time of Ron's official retirement is still several months off. He promised to stay as editor until the end of this calendar year or until someone prior to that time is chosen to follow in the good work Ron has pioneered. In the mean time, please be giving some thought to anyone you know who might be a worthy contact. Again, my contact information is on the page near the end of the TNA News. I look forward to hearing from you regarding a new editor for the TNA News, and for anything else on your mind.

Regards and God Bless. See you when time allows . . . Richard

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Friday & Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Admission \$3.00 (children under 18 free)

- •200 tables
- •24-hour police security
- •Free educational seminars
- •Free exhibits
- •Youth auction
- Book auction
- •Dealer set-up May 31, 2018

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Our host hotel is the Sheraton Arlington 1500 Convention Center Dr. Arlington, Texas 76011 • 817-261-8200 For more information, contact Doug or Mary Davis at 817-723-7231 or tnacoinshow@gmail.com.



Secretary's Report

By Lawrence Herrera

JANUARY/FEBRUARY/2018

WELCOME NEW TNA MEMBER APPLICANTS

Welcome to new TNA members R-7659 and R-7660. No objections were received, and the applicants became active members on January 1, 2018.

The following have applied for membership in the TNA. If no objections are received, they will become members on March 1, 2018.

Number C-235 R-7661 Name Spartans Coin Club Les Miller

Proposer	District
Ralph Ross	6
Website	4

TNA MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Membership Application is on page 39

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.

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.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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

Mailing labels for the TNA News are prepared by the Secretary's office.

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 admission. The official publication will be mailed to eligible applicants.

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DOLO
Regular & Chapter20.00
Junior 8.00
Associate 8.00
Life 300.00
Mail applications to:
Lawrence Herrera, TNA Secretary
4717 W. Lovers Lane
Dallas, TX 75209
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TNA COINS FOR A'S

Please contact our Coins for A's Administrator for information on this important program for young collectors: Coins for A's P.O. Box 131179 The Woodlands, TX 77393 Email: Coins4As@gmail.com

2018 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Dues are \$20 and should be mailed to: Lawrence Herrera TNA Secretary 4717 W. Lovers Lane Dallas, TX 75209

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TREASURER'S

TNA FINANCIAL ASSIST PROGRAM OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE: JACK GILBERT -

DRAWINGS FOR THE 2018 ANA SEMINAR

6,500

DRAWINGS WERE HELD AT THE **S**EMI

DRAWINGS FOR TNA GRANTS

During the TNA Board meeting held at the Houston Money Show on Friday January 19, 2018, drawings were held to determine the winners of the GRANT PROGRAM FOR YOUR LIBRARY and GRANT PROGRAM TO ATTEND ANA SUMMER SEMINAR.

Per the Policy updated 1/4/2014:

Eligibility for the Grant is limited to all TNA members in good standing for the year of the drawing and for two years prior; and, a Grant recipient is not eligible for this Grant until two years has passed from the receipt of the Grant.

The following winners have been members of the TNA during the current year and during the two years prior. The winners did not win the same grant in the two prior years.

GRANT PROGRAM FOR YOUR LIBRARY

(Up to \$125 for the purchase of books and electronic type books relating to our hobby.)

Hal Cherry Carl Stang Dallas Coin Club Russell Prinzinger Vernon Runyan

GRANT PROGRAM TO ATTEND ANA SUMMER SEMINAR

(Includes tuition (including night classes), fees, room, meals and transportation.)

Fran Ewing Gary Dobbins

There were 22 entries for the Library drawing and 24 for the ANA Seminar drawing.

Additional Grants Offered During the Year

GRANT TO PROMOTE NUMISMATICS

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

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AND 2018 FUND YOUR LIBRARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TNA

COIN CLUB FINANCIAL REQUESTS

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

KEEP YOUR EYE ON THIS SPACE FOR CONTINUING PROGRAM NEWS

During 2013, TNA initiated several new educational and financial assistance programs to promote our hobby. These included: Assistance in Hosting a Coin Show; Financial Assistance in Promoting Numismatics; Financial Assistance in Promoting Young Numismatists; Grant Program to Fund Your Library; and, Grant Program to Attend the ANA Seminar.

All of these Programs are open to all members and were fully detailed on pages 8-12 in the September/October 2013 issue of the TNA News (available online - http://www.tna.org/ downloads/tna-news/2013/tna_news_septoct_2013.pdf) Clubs interested in the TNA Programs for Assistance in Hosting a Coin Show; Financial Assistance in Promoting Numismatics; and/or Financial Assistance in Promoting Young Numismatists should contact Jack Gilbert at gilbej@yahoo.com, one of the committee members listed above, or your local TNA Governor.

Texas Numismatic Association, Inc. FINANCIAL STATEMENT As of December 31, 2017

ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash JP Morgan Chase, NA Checking Account Origin Bk, Ft Worth-Premium Business Money Mkt PBOT (Mat 2/25/18) Origin Bk CD (Mat. 8/30/2018)	\$17,212.51 \$28,454.45 \$25,000.00 \$50,000.00	
Total Current Assets Due in <1 Year Long Term Assets		\$120,666.96
Origin Bk CD (Mat. 2/28/19) Origin Bk CD (Mat. 4/3/2020)	\$60,000.00 \$60,000.00	
Endowment Lifetime Member Fund (Intermingled other CDs) PBOT CD McFadden Fund (mat 10/19/18) Total Long Term Assets	\$70,000.00	\$190,000.00
TOTAL ASSETS		\$310,666.96
LIABILITIES Total Liabilities		None.
SURPLUS Beginning Balance 3/1/2017		\$335,957.79
Income (Plus) Expenses (Minus)	\$51,394.03 -\$76,684.86	
Surplus		-\$25,290.83
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS		\$310,666.96

YOUNG NUMISMATISTS (YN) DEALERS INVITED TO FREE TABLE



Jack Gilbert

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Once again the TNA is inviting all YN Dealers to sell their wares at a free table at the upcoming TNA Show and Convention the first weekend of June 2018. Any YN who meets the qualification below and is interested should review the Policy and sign-up information below.

YOUNG NUMISMATISTS (YN) DEALER POLICY AND SIGN-UP FORM

This statement enumerates the guidelines for participation in the YN Dealer Initiative for the Texas Numismatic Association. The purpose of this initiative is to entice YNs to sign-up for a table on Saturday June 2, 2018 at the 2018 TNA Show and Convention and bring inventory to sell to the general public. The tables will be provided to the YN at no cost.

Interested YNs must be at least 12 years old and not over 21 years old as of May 1, 2018. Parents of YNs under the age of 18 must provide an email or letter signifying the parent's approval for the YN to participate. The YN, or a close relative (parent/grandparent), must be a current TNA member

It is expected that the inventory of the YN will be limited to items with a value of \$100 or less. The YN should accumulate inventory to display at the show during the upcoming months. This inventory is expected to be displayed in one (1) case which will be provided by the TNA. Additional inventory may be brought to the show, but each YN will be allowed a four (4) foot space on the table to display and sell their inventory.

Table space for the YN Initiative may be limited and not all interested YNs may be accepted. Priority will be assigned based on a "first come" basis.

There will be adult TNA members to assist and supervise the YNs at all times in an effort to ensure that purchases or sales are not disadvantageous to the YN and to advise the YN if necessary. The TNA assumes NO LIABILITY for the purchases or sales of the YN, but attending adult members will use their best efforts to provide good advice to the YN.

Interested YNs should indicate their interest in participating by notifying Jack Gilbert no later than May 15, 2018. Emails may be sent to gilbej@yahoo.com; and must include the information requested below.

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CLASSIC LARGE CENTS

by Sam Fairchild

he large, copper cents issued by the Mint during the nation's formative years underwent frequent changes in design, with four major changes in the Mint's first three years. The fourth design was introduced in 1796, but its run only lasted 10 years

US coins being issued at that time all bore designs by the Mint's chief engraver, Robert Scot: The silver and minor coins carried Draped Bust portraits of Miss Liberty, while Capped Bust likenesses appeared on the gold coins. However new Mint Director Patterson clearly didn't care for these designs, and consequently commissioned new designs for all coinage in 1807.

He first felt he needed to remove Scot, citing Scot's "advancing age" (62) made his "good health" doubtful. On that basis, he hired John Reich, a young engraver, to serve as Scot's assistant and redesign the coinage. Reich had recently come to the United States from his native Germany as an indentured servant to escape the Napoleonic Wars.



Reich revamped every coin from the half cent through the half eagle, the lowest and highest denominations then being produced. His obverse design for the cent (and half cent) was a leftfacing portrait of Liberty with

curly hair, tied with a headband inscribed LIBERTY. Miss Liberty is surrounded by 13 stars, with the date below her. The coin's reverse carries the statement of value, ONE CENT, within a continuous wreath. This, in turn, is encircled by the inscription UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Production of the new design began in 1808, with just over one million pieces struck. However, the Mint ran out of planchets the following year, and production suffered since the Mint had to rely on local supply of planchets. A new shipment of planchets arrived in 1810 from the British firm of Boulton and Watt, and production rebounded. The Mint exhausted its supply early in 1811 and production once again fell off.

This production roller coaster ride continued with the advent of war with Britain

in 1812. Production was normal in 1812, but dropped appreciably in 1813 and 1814. With the British embargo on American trading, the supply came to a halt, and planchets had to be obtained elsewhere. American companies were eager to produce the planchets, but the supply was limited and overall quality low. Most of the cents dated 1814 were struck on whatever leftover planchets could be found, which had



already been stored at the Mint for several years. Because of this, cents of 1813 and 1814 tend to be darker and of lesser quality than those of earlier years. No cents were struck in 1815, as no planchets were

on hand, and it took a long time until new planchets could arrive from England. The trading embargo was lifted shortly after the War ended, but it would not be until the end of 1816 that production of cents was resumed, albeit with a different design.

Classic Head cents are relatively scarce in every collectible grade, but exceptionally so in mint condition. This is partly due to the unusual softness of the inferior quality planchets.



Gary & Judy Dobbins Exhibit Co-Chairs

TNA EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS 2018 LEARN, SHARE, INSPIRE

Do you have a favorite coin? Are you interested in learning more about a certain coin or numismatic area? Have you wondered about money as it relates to history? Whether you are an experienced numismatist or a novice at a new hobby, creating an educational exhibit is a wonderful way to learn more about your coins or paper money.

The first step to making an exhibit is deciding on a topic. After choosing your topic, do the research. Learn all that you can about the numismatic item or series. You will need basic numismatic information (mint, mintage, composition, designer, etc.) along with historic, geographic, biographic and economic information.

When you have done the research, decide how you are going to share your findings with others. The exhibit should be neat, well-designed and eye catching. For your convenience and peace of mind, TNA provides lockable exhibit cases which are uniform in appearance.

Many think of Numismatics as a hobby for "old folks". We have seen a recent surge toward getting the next generation interested and involved in Numismatics. This will help answer that age related question: "Who will continue with my collection?" When you create an educational exhibit, not only are you sharing your research and love for the hobby, you are inspiring the next generation of Numismatists to learn and get involved.

So if you want to learn more about a numismatic area, share a favorite coin or money topic by revealing its history, and inspire others in numismatics, the TNA Educational Exhibits are for you.

Co-Chairs Gary and Judy Dobbins will be happy to answer questions or help you get started in the Exhibit Process. Exhibits can be entered in Competitive or Non- Competitive categories. Exhibit applications, rules and judging guidelines can be found on the TNA website.

CALL FOR EXHIBITS



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FRIDAY, JUNE 1 9AM - 6PM

SATURDAY, JUNE 2 9AM - 6PM

SUNDAY, JUNE 3 9AM - 3PM

Accepting Exhibits in Competitive and Non-Competitive Categories

An application, rules and score sheet can be downloaded from TNA's website at www.TNA.org

DEADLINE FOR EXHIBIT APPLICATIONS IS MAY 15, 2018

Attendance is free to persons under 18 years of age and members of the TNA.

All others are \$3 on Friday and Saturday. Sunday is free to all. There is a \$5 parking fee.

For more information or questions, please contact

TNA Exhibit Co-Chairs Gary and Judy Dobbins g.dobbins@sbcglobal.net

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Admission is \$8 for the public; free for ANA members and children under 12. Admission is free on Saturday, March 10. Registration open soon!





A REPORT FROM THE SPARTANS

Ralph Ross Youth Chair

The Spartans Coin Club from the Stafford Municipal School District, located in the city of Stafford, Texas is off to a great school year 2017 – 2018.

Officer elections were held and the results are: President : Shauzab Murad Vice-President: Anton Tran Secretary: Andrea Patino Treasurer: Dung Trinh Editor/Publisher: Kendra Robinson Historian: Paul Phung Data/Records: Correna Feimster Convention Coordinator: Jasmine Nguyen Parliamentarian: Jackie Yang The official meeting dates and time: The Spartans Coin Club [SC2] meet on Thursdays after school in room A-200. We meet in Dr. Ross's room which is located in the college and career center.

The objective SC2: shall be to advance numismatic knowledge through scholarly, educational, historical and scientific means; to assist in bringing together persons interested in numismatics; to promote greater popular interest by maintaining a numismatic library and by establishing numismatic exhibits in the community; to aid its members in the study, acquisition and exhibition of numismatic material. It shall be a non-profit organization with all proceeds being used for operational purposes, to promote the study of numismatics and to assist or to encourage other worthy numismatic causes.



Dr. Ross addresses the members at a regular Thursday afterschool SC2 meeting. A list of New Year's 2018 club objectives was addressed: (1) Set up educational exhibits at the GHCC 61st Annual Houston Money Show, January 19-20, 2018, Lone Star Convention Center, Conroe, TX. (2) Set up educational exhibits at the Spring ANA National Money Show March 8 – 10, 2018, in Irving, TX.

(3) Celebrate National Coin Week April 15 – 21, 2018 with wooden tokens And the word Numismatics spelled correctly. This year's 95th theme: "Connecting Cultures: From Many One".
(4) Set up educational exhibits at the TNA 60th Annual Convention and Coin and Currency Show in Arlington, TX on June 1 – 3, 2018.



This was an educational exhibit titled, "THAILAND: Old Porcelain Coins. It was put together to provide a learning sample of what to do and not to do for an excellent numismatic educational exhibit.

Club editor/publisher Kendra Robinson describes key information to others.





Club member Rachel Gonzales review photos of numismatic educational exhibits from years past.

Spartans Coin Club members take a photo in front of the schools' mascot: **SPARTAN** (see the Spartan in the background.)



COIN CLUB





Spartans Coin Club show off their new coin club shirt. The shirt is black with gold lettering. The front of the shirt, right side above the heart reads: Stafford Spartans Coin Club 2107 – 2018. The shirt back: shows a picture of an 1899 Barber or Liberty Head half-dollar between two wheat ears and at the top it says COIN CLUB.

ANA Governor. Dr. Ralph Ross and ANA President Gary Adkins, both agree, "buy the book before the coin".





Club member, Marcus Risen, and Dr. Ross greet parents and students at school open house. The Spartans Coin Club set up a numismatic educational exhibit and gave visitors wooden tokens and pencils. The Spartans Coin Club is a member of the ANA and TNA.

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QUESTIONS FOR DR. COYNE

What U.S. coin was the first to be made at a branch mint (not Philadelphia)?
 When did the American Numismatic Association begin operation?
 What is the connection of Mr. Eric Newman to numismatics?
 Which U.S. president is on the \$1000 bill?

5) What is a "jetton"?

6) According to the Red Book, what U.S. coin of the 1876-1976 period has the lowest original mintage?

7) Is this piece a U.S. coin?_____



DR. COYNE

1) The "O" mint mark was first used on the dimes of New Orleans in May, 1838. More famous among collectors today is the tiny issue of half dollars (perhaps 20 coins, and not even all of them actually coined in New Orleans). This was followed by a substantial issue of 1839-0. The Branch Mints (gold only) at Dahlonega and Charlotte began production in 1838, but not until after the initial coinage at New Orleans.

2) The American Numismatic Association was proposed by Dr. George Heath in 1891 and began accepting members in 1892. Until the headquarters building at 818 N. Cascade Avenue in Colorado Springs opened in 1967, the ANA lived mainly in the briefcase of the secretary, wherever he lived.

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

4) Grover Cleveland, 22nd and 24th U.S. president, is shown on the \$1000 Federal Reserve Notes. These are all collector items now; none has been printed since 1945.

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

6) The Red Book identifies the smallest original mintage of a coin designed for circulation as the 24 pieces reported in the San Francisco mint report for the dimes of 1894. Today, collectors are aware of about a dozen distinct specimens, with most showing some wear.

7) The illustrated piece is not a U.S. coin. It certainly purports to be an 1889 Morgan Dollar, but it's in fact a recently produced silver round. If purchased at prices close to melt value, these can be an acceptable silver investment, but close inspection reveals they are not exactly the same design as the original Morgan Dollar. Look, for example, at the wrong font in the date "1889". The reverse of the piece is shown here..... 8) What U.S. mint mark has been used on the most coins (measured by production)? Which the least?

9) When was the right to hold gold restored to the American public?

10) When were the first coins struck in the New World?

11) Did any Federal paper money circulate in U.S. before 1861?

12) Do Third Party Grading Companies encapsulate Daniel Carr material?

13) What is a "One-Sided Proof" coin?

14) Is this piece a U.S. coin?__



Responds

8) The mintmark representing the most cumulative production would be the "D" of Denver. With trillion coin annual coinage totals at Denver, it does not take long to swamp the longer experience of San Francisco. The gold-only Southern mints at Dahlonega (also using the "D") and Charlotte have the lowest total production. The "O" and "CC" mints had intermediate cumulative totals by striking a variety of both silver and gold coins. The "M"and "S", mints also have intermediate totals despite striking bronze coins to help push up their totals. The West Point Mint has used "W" on a range of collector coins, but its large issues of cents for circulation carried no minmark and cannot be distinguished from Philadelphia issues.

9) The gold regulations under Franklin Roosevelt took effect in April, 1933. Americans had unrestricted rights to hold gold and gold instruments again beginning Dec. 31, 1974. In the interim, coins of numismatic interest (and not primarily bullion) were exempt. It took complicated paperwork to import new world gold coins after 1933 until 1975 as well.

10) The earliest coins struck in the New World came from the Mexico City mint, beginning 1536 -- more than two centuries before any coins were made at the infant mint in Philadelphia. The earliest coins struck FOR USE in the New World would seem to be the "hogge" pennies, privately made in England about 1616 for use in the islands that became The Bahamas.

11) The first Federal paper money used to finance the Civil War came in 1861, and before that there had been decades of issues of state and local banks. But the earliest Federal paper money was the discredited Continental Currency issued to fight the Revolutionary War in 1776. These issues are highly collectible today, with Eric Newman's "The Early Paper Money of the U.S." the primary reference — now in its 5th edition. 12) The Third Party Grading companies have each taken their own path in handling Moonight Mint material. ANACS has the longest record and has slabbed the most pieces. They will handle all of Mr. Carr's material which will fit in their slab. NGC has taken an intermediate position and will handle much of his material as "medals". PCGS has been the most restrictive and to date has refused any of his "overstrike" fantasy "coins" as well as any of the club medals or other contract work. PCGS claims to be guided in deciding what to handle according to whether an item is listed or not in Krause's "Unusual World Coins" book, though there are exceptions.

13) The term "one-sided proof" is a misnomer. "Proof" is a method of manufacture and not a "grade" denoting degree of preservation or absence of handling. The term has been carelessly applied (mainly decades ago) to describe a coin showing good mirror fields on only one side with "business strike" quality on the other side. Actually, most of these are just well preserved ordinary business strikes, but with one die a new replacement or recently polished die.

14) The illustrated piece is arguably the first U.S. coin. Evidence shows it was struck in the year on its face (1776) or near that time. But no specific evidence has been found in Congressional records about its approval or issuance. Some say it is only an English medal of about 1780, but the existence of many pieces in worn condition argues for its use in actual circulation during the Confederation period in the former Colonies. It is usually collected with the American Colonial series. They come in pewter, brass, and a few are known in silver.

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GRADING FOR Using Specific Gravity

Lane Brunner

Inherent in grading coins is the fundamental understanding that the coin is deemed authentic before it is graded. If the coin has been altered or is a counterfeit, then its grade is not really relevant. However, if we rush to grade a coin without considering authenticity first, we may overlook some very well made counterfeit coins that have been entering the marketplace over the last several years. In addition to the appropriate diagnostics for the coin type, there is an easy test that can be done to test a coin's composition. The test compares the density of a coin relative to the density of a standard substance, namely water.

The test measures the specific gravity of the coin. The specific gravity (SG) is the ratio of density of the test coin to the density of water. Pure metals and alloys have known values for SG and thus the SG of a coin can be compared with the known values to determine whether or not the composition is correct.

Here's how the test is done: You will need a good quality scale, which can measure weight to a tenth or hundredth of a gram, cup in to hold water, and a way to suspend the coin in the water so that nothing touches the cup or balance. See the image below.



The SG apparatus above consists of a scale, a plastic container filled with water, a scaffold to suspend the coin, and a piece of plastic-coated wire bent to suspend the coin in the water without touching the sides or bottom of the beaker.

STEPS TO MEASURE SPECIFIC GRAVITY

- Step 1: Weigh the coin on the balance. Record the weight as the "dry weight."
- Step 2: Fill the container with water so that the coin can be fully submerged when suspended.
- Step 3: Place the water-filled container on the balance.
- Step 4: Without the coin in the suspending wire, place the wire attached to the scaffold into the water.
- Step 5: Zero the balance with the suspending wire in place. This way, when the coin is placed into the suspending wire, the only difference will be the weight of the coin in the water.
- Step 6: Carefully place the coin in the suspending wire and lower into the water. Be sure not to spill any water.
- Step 7: Record the weight of the suspended coin. Record the weight at the "wet weight."
- Step 8: Divide the "dry weight" by the "wet weight" and record the value. This value is the SG.
- Step 9: Look up the SG value of your coin in a table of known SG values for the composition of the coin you are testing.

I recently purchased some silver rounds on eBay and one of rounds just didn't seem authentic. Below is an image of both rounds. The Buffalo round was a new production silver round in the very popular design of the Buffalo nickel. The other silver round is a classic Silver Trade Unit struck in 1981.

THE REST OF US *Testing for Authentication*

Pictured are two silver rounds recently purchased on eBay. One is authentic and one is counterfeit. Although the weight of the counterfeit round was well below 31.1 grams (the weight of an authentic silver 1 oz round), the SG made it fairly clear it was plated with silver.



SG testing was done on both pieces. It was clear the Buffalo round was not pure silver just based on its "dry weight" alone. However, the SG testing gave some insight into what its composition might be. Below is a table with the results of the SG testing.

	SG	Testing Results			
FOR	Two	S ILVER	1	oz	Rounds

	Buffalo	Silver Trade Unit
Dry Weight	24.515 g	31.133 g
Wet Weight	3.393 g	2.962 g
SG	7.23	10.51

The SG for the Silver Trade Unit was very close to the known SG value for pure silver. The SG for the Buffalo round was well below the SG for silver and closer to that for bronze. The seller was contacted and the Buffalo round was returned. Interestingly, the Buffalo round was housed in a thick plastic capsule that helped mask its light weight. Be sure to test those questionable silver rounds and bars. There has been a recent influx of fake 10 oz Engelhard poured bars that are rumored to be available on eBay. Authentic Engelhard poured bars are highly sought after which makes them an easy target for silver bullion counterfeiters.

The next table lists the SG for many materials relevant to coinage (and detecting counterfeit coins).

TABLE OF SELECTED SG VALUES

Material	Specific Gravity
Copper	8.96
Bronze (~14% tin)	7.4
Gold	19.32
Lead	11.34
Manganese	7.43
Nickel	8.90
Palladium	12.02
Platinum	21.45
Silver	10.49
Zinc	7.13
Sterling Silver (0.925)	10.36
US Coin Silver – 90%	10.31
US Coin Silver – 40%	9.52

Data from: CRC Materials Science and Engineering Handbook, 3rd Ed., James F. Shackelford and William Alexander, CRC Press, 2000.

ASM Metals Reference Book, 3rd Ed., Michael Bauccio, ASM International, 1993.



IS A SEATED LIBERTY

by Mark Benvenuto

I thas been noted many times that the Seated Liberty design, the artwork of Mr. Christian Gobrecht, is the design that has graced the largest number of denominations in United States coinage. First unveiled in the late 1830's, by the year 1840 it was on every silver coin from the tiny half dime all the way up to the hefty silver dollar. And for two years, it circulated on the short-lived 20-cent pieces (with a further two years in proof version).

THE HALF-DIME

It's a fair bet that there are not all that many half-dime collectors within the numismatic fraternity. Yet there are some, and they are probably quite aware that among the



long run of Seated Liberty half-dimes are quite a few that are very common. But curiously, since there are so few collectors of this small but attractive

series, the best way to look through them may not be in terms of mintages, and may be much more just in terms of looking through price lists. For example, the 1853 has an enormous mintage of over 13 million, and costs about \$200 in the lower mint state grades. The 1873-S though, one of two issues of the last year of the series, saw a much lower mintage, yet has a slightly lower price tag in the mint state grades. That makes it something of a bargain.

THE DIME

Moving up to the ten-cent pieces, there are plenty of common dates, and even a couple of common mint marks, within this Seated Liberty series. Once again, for



examples in the lower end of mint state, a person can part with about \$200 and land a handsome looking coin. What might be considered amazing here

however is how quickly the prices drop if we are willing to collect at the AU-50 or even the EF-40 grade. Now the prices plummet to a \$40 - \$50 range, which certainly can be attractive in and of itself.

THAT TWENTY-CENT PIECE

The short-lived twenty-cent pieces might be a tough set to assemble, since two of the four years of issue -1877and 1878 – were made only as proofs. For a type set though, the sole piece that can be considered common is



the 1875-S, since it had a mintage of just over a million coins. Today the price tags we have mentioned, above, will net one in a grade like VF-20 or EF-40. As expected, the prices take a steep uptick when we look at those still in mint state.

THE QUARTER

One can debate whether the Seated Liberty quarter has more common dates in the series than the dimes or half dimes, but in each case there are a lot from which to choose. As we might imagine, the prices tend to be a bit higher in this series, simply because they are bigger coins. As we might not imagine, there are a couple of treats in the series among the issues from the branch Mint at Carson City.



Many collectors are aware that the 'CC' mint mark was used on larger silver denominations, as well as gold denominations, rather exclusively. What fewer of us are aware of is that for a couple of years the Carson City output was rather hefty, and must have been the common silver coin of the day. For Seated Liberty quarters, the years 1876 and 1877 were those big years, with 4.9 million and 4.1 million 'CC' quarters produced respectively.

TYPE SET AFFORDABLE?

What that translates to for us today is something like a \$125 - \$200 purchase for a specimen in VF-20 or EF-40. The continued collector love affair with Carson City coins keeps the mint state examples considerably more expensive.

THE HALF DOLLAR

Adding a Seated Liberty half dollar and dollar to any growing type set might be the big jump up to big prices; but let's look at both of these good-sized silver pieces, just to be sure. In the case of the fifty-cent pieces, we have a series that saw extremes when it comes to highs and lows. There are plenty of years when the official Mint tallies



were well into the millions. But there were also some years when the totals were down below ten thousand coins. That would make this a tough series to collect by date and mint mark. But when we are looking for just one piece, well, the hunt shouldn't be too tough.

A look through just about any major price listing reveals that the Seated Liberty half dollars have mint state coins which cost about \$450 - \$500, and VF-20 pieces that ring in at less than \$100 each. Following our just-traced path once again, and focusing on the 'CC' coins, we find that the 1875-CC, as well as the 1876-CC and 1877-CC half dollars can be considered common. They do cost just over \$1K for a mint state piece, but down at something like VF-20 have a price tag that is much easier to swallow. Once again, these branch Mint coins might be worth looking at.

THE SILVER DOLLAR

Silver dollar aficionados know that the entire Seated Liberty dollar series, from 1840 – 1873, has only two coins that saw a seven-figure mintage. They are the 1871 and 1872. The series was just never produced in large



numbers. Even the two common dates are expensive coins today. It will cost just under \$1K to grab one of these, even in F-12 condition. These big guns are not impossible to add to a type set, but they're tough.

THE \$10 GOLD PIECE OF 2008

Mr. Gobrecht's design was dusted off and used one final time, in 2008, as part of the Presidential Dollars First Spouse issues. Since Martin Van Buren did not have a First Lady during the time he had the big job and the big office, when he was honored with a dollar coin in 2008, the Seated Liberty design was used for the ½-ounce gold coin that went with his dollar. Prices for one today, in PF-69, start at about \$1,250. One of these might make a brilliant addition to any Seated Liberty collection.

All things considered, a Seated Liberty type set really only gets expensive if we insist on adding a good looking version of the silver dollar, and any version of the modern \$10 gold piece that is part of the First Spouse program. The five smaller denominations all have some possibilities that don't flatten a wallet thinner than the proverbial



pancake. Seated Liberty coinage saw its heyday as the nation was growing and modernizing rapidly. For a collector new to the field today, such a type set of silver could prove to be the start of a fascinating collection.



THE EARLY

by John Barber

The excellent presentation "Engraving Longacre" given by Jim Sandy at our November GHCC meeting prompted me to look again at the history of our early Indian cents...

The small cent's first design was the Flying Eagle attributed to Christian Gobrecht and used on his famous dollars of 1836-1839, but the reverse of that cent is a Longacre "agricultural wreath". These, like all the cents made for circulation through until mid-1864 were made from an alloy of 88% copper and 12% nickel, accounting for their white color.



The mint found it difficult to strike the 88/12 alloy as the pressure needed to fully raise the design on the coins resulted in unacceptably short die life. Proposals for a different design which might prove easier to strike began shortly after introduction of the Flying Eagle cent. Longacre's favorite



(and his signature piece today) showed a maiden in an Indian headdress with a simple wreath on the reverse. This piece is your editor's most recent addition to the collection of cents telling the story of the coin's evolution.



Designs similar to the 1858 shown above were adopted in 1859 (still 88/12 alloy, and with a no-shield reverse). This one is the regular issue for 1859, and has usually been regarded as a one-year type coin.



INDIAN CENTS

But 1859 also brought us two additional designs for the reverse – the "wide shield" (also called "ornamental shield" and the "narrow shield". It was the

acquisition a couple of years ago of this "wide shield" Judd 227 that was the subject of an earlier editorial in these pages, "My Blundered Acquisition".



It is the "narrow shield" Judd 228 that should have been the object of my search. This is the design that is the direct predecessor to the regular 1860-1863 issues, all having the



the mintage of over 1000 pieces is too large for a strictly pattern issue, and the overwhelming majority of them are in business-strike format and not proofs. This one matches that description.

narrow shield. It was in October 2013 that Q. David Bowers' article appeared arguing that this issue should be called a "regular issue" and collected along with the rest of the Indian cent series. It is true that



The rest of the "nicks" (the 88/12 alloy cents) are all of the same design, though the shape of the point of the bust varies on the 1860 issues The 1863 coins were made in the largest numbers and are today the most available.

Finally, in mid-1864, the final change was made to the early Indian Cents: the bronze alloy was introduced on these and the two-cent pieces. These are 95% copper and 5% tin and



zinc. Following a minor change in feather alignment in 1886, this design reigned until the end of the Indian Cent series in 1909. They have now perhaps been displaced by



Morgan Dollars as the most popular series to collect, but before 1970, they were right up there with Lincoln Cents in the aspirations of many, many collectors.

Indian Cents are fun; and collecting them won't break the bank!



THE BEST SECURED

Brentwood, Tennessee - Colonel Steven Ellsworth, ret. of the Butternut Company has announced the annual selection of "The Best Secured Coin **Shows for year 2017.**" COL Ellsworth personally attended over 36 coin shows and conventions in 2017, closely observing and evaluating the various types of security measures provided to both dealers and the public. In addition, he receives numerous reports from across the nation from coin dealers, collectors and crime-incident reports from the media and law enforcement sources. This is the 20th year a report with show-listings has been named.

"For the past 20 years, I've had the privilege of helping new-as well as experienced dealers by writing articles regarding security. I am also a principal instructor on how to build a solid, successful business and teach sound security protection-measures during the American Numismatic Association's (ANA) Summer Seminars in Colorado Springs. By all accounts, these educational sessions have been rewarding for the students as well as from the physic income I garner from the students and the other attendees," said Ellsworth.

He went on to describe some of his instructional techniques in which he requires students to create a basic balance sheet for the fictitious ABC Coin Company. When students list the assets of a typical coin business, by far, the single most valuable asset of the company's is the inventory of coins, noting that most students do not own a stationary store-front. If allor most of a company's inventory is lost, the survival of the coin business will be questionable. If this basic financial reality is correct, then why not implement as many security strategies and measures possible to minimize such risks? The answer is usually the same; "This is the way we have always done it and have not had a problem yet". With that logic, why not cancel your home liability, fire and flood insurance since you have not had a claim since you owned your home? In today's social and economic environment, whatever you can do to improve your own- as well as your family's security- is never enough.

This year there have been over 115 coin and currency crimes reported during 2017. Violent crimes have decreased but there has been an increase in robberies and thefts that in all likelihood will continue through 2018. The coin business creates very lucrative target for criminals, especially since many of our hobby's gathering sites are well-advertised.

"Over the years, I continued to address and emphasize two very important items to help manage the risks associated with valuables:

1ST: DEVELOP A WRITTEN SECURITY PLAN.

The casual disregard in the need to draft a written security plan, by the majority of dealers and collectors, is still a major security lapse facing our industry. It does not matter if you're a part-time dealer, collector or employed by one of the major numismatic firms, without a written plan, you are not being pro-active in managing risks against you and/or your business. "If it is not a written plan, your security plan is just an idea"! Remember; your plan is relevant and remains dynamic when it's updated, actively engaged (used) to keep pace annually with your business trends, travel schedule, or hobby pursuits. Plan to review and update your business's security plan in January!

2nd: NEVER, LEAVE VALABLES UNATTENDED IN YOUR VEHICLE.

This rule is so basic; yet, for over twenty years after emphasizing this simple, basic security measure, it is still ignored. Every other week, I get a report of a dealer or collector has had their collection and inventory stolen when it was left in an unoccupied vehicle. Occasionally, most of us have had to leave a vehicle unattended, while transporting valuables, consider yourself lucky...simply lucky! It only takes 15 seconds for a thief to gain entry into your locked

COIN SHOWS FOR 2017

vehicle. As predicted, several dealers or collectors were virtually wiped-out from theft and terminated their businesses, while some collectors relinquished the hobby altogether.

Why are these two simple security measures so difficult to grasp and yet seem so seldom followed? Ask the many victims of theft. Most will usually respond with "I can't believe this happened to me".

"Don't make a mistake which lessens your safety, security and life," stated Ellsworth.

The American Numismatic Association has been proactive for a number of years by offering security courses during their Colorado Springs, Summer Seminar Sessions. They have also co-sponsored seminars with the great job Doug Davis of Numismatic Crime Information Center is doing with Federal, State, County and Local law enforcement officers on how better to investigate numismatic crimes. This year's Summer Seminar will offer our first 2-evening security course "Safety First: Security for Dealers and Collectors" in addition to "The Business of Being a Coin Dealer". If you are planning to attend please sign up early as space is limited. If you have not made plans to attend, do so. These two courses are well worth your time and consideration regardless the size of your business. For more information on these courses contact: Amber Bradish, ANA Education Project Manager 719.482-9865, Email: abradish@ money.org.

"All shows listed below were actually attended by our company or our representative. It is evident that some show-managers or promoters are taking the safety of their exhibitors and attendees more seriously; however, many still are not prosecuting shoplifters. Simply throwing a shoplifter out-of-a-show creates an incentive to repeat their crimes; as well as an example for other criminals to follow. Even though it's timeconsuming and somewhat costly, dealers and boursechairs must accept the responsibility to prosecute an offender. On a final note; when performing security personnel briefings, remind security personal to refrain from casual viewing or surfing the internet from I-pads or cell phones when working; and, limit their use to only "must answer" calls. It is impossible for them to be texting and still be vigilant when it comes to security. Security is one of the top three expenses of running a show so insist on receiving what you have paid for. Go over what is expected before any agreement you make.

Below and in **alphabetical order**, are some of the shows attended in 2017, which placed security as a top priority, rather than a bi-product of the show. The objective in formulating an annual list is to help ensure security measures remain on the "forefront" to aid dealers and collectors in safely managing the risks posed from theft or criminal acts, which can result in loss, bodily harm or even death," commented Ellsworth.

• American Numismatic Association World's Fair of Money Show, Denver, CO.

Security was continually provided by plain clothes private security and uniformed Denver police. Security has continually improved each year. There was excellent security in and out of the facility during set up and breakdown. All security officers are tied into a monitored communication net. Registration and name tags were required for all attendees. The ANA staff and board continue to be proactive in to reduce crime and improve the safety of its members and staff and the entire hobby through their excellent educational and awareness programs. This organization has and deserves to be commended for their efforts to keep the security of exhibitors and attendees safe.

• Blue Ridge Numismatic Association, Dalton, GA.

Security is continual provided by off-duty uniformed Walker County Sheriffs, off duty GBI agents and

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THE BEST SECURED COIN SHOWS

private security. Security is provided in and out of the facility during set up and breakdown. Unloading and Loading is under watchful security personnel. Security personnel continually walk the show floor to discourage shoplifting. Registration and nametags are required for all attendees. They like many other shows have an officer in a marked patrol car near the show entrance.

• Colorado Springs Coin, Currency and Collectibles Show, Colorado Springs, CO.

Security is provided by a private security contractor with extensive military and civilian experience. Security is excellent in and out of the facility during set up and breakdown. Parking areas are also patrolled before, during and following the show. Registration and nametags are required for all attendees. The show is well attended by ANA summer Seminar Students who are required to display their credentials. The bourse chairman makes security a critical part of his event plan.

• Central Ohio Coin Club, Dublin, OH.

Security is provided by off-duty Dublin police officers. Security in the past assisted in making arrests, the booking and jailing show thieves. Registration and nametags were required for all attendees. Dealers are allowed to load and unload at the front doors of the facility. Again with all shows, collectors and dealers leaving a show need to immediately implement their own individual plan on their remaining travel to avoid theft.

• North Carolina Numismatic Association, Concord, NC.

Security is continual provided by off-duty uniformed County Deputy Sheriffs. Security is provided in and out of the facility during set up and breakdown. Unloading and Loading is under watchful security personnel. Security personnel continually walk the show floor to discourage shoplifting. Registration and nametags are required for all attendees. They also display a marked patrol car near the entrance.

• Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association, Tukwila, WA.

Security is provided by Tukwila Police. Security is constant from setup and breakdown, in and out of the facility. It is continuous during the show. Officers do an excellent job of keeping watch of the parking and loading areas during setup and breakdown. Registration and nametags are required for all attendees. Security personal are highly visible during all aspects of the event.

• Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists (PAN), Monroeville, PA.

Security is provided by a private armed security firm wearing distinctive company clothing. Security is provided in and out of the facility during set up and breakdown. Registration and nametags were required for all attendees. Dealers are allowed to back up to the loading docks for unloading and loading. As with all shows, collectors and dealers leaving a show and the security provided must immediately implement their own individual plan on their remaining travel to avoid theft.

• Tennessee State Numismatic Association, East Ridge, TN.

Security is provided by East Ridge Tennessee Police. The show's organizers put security high up on their plans for running a safe and secure show. Security is excellent from setup to breakdown with uniformed officers keeping a careful watch of activity on the bourse, parking areas, entrances and exits of the facility. Officers are well equipped with all the necessary weapons and equipment to handle most any incident and extra patrols are made during and after show hours. A patrol car is parked in a strategic location and dealers are escorted to their vehicles. Registration and nametags are required for all attendees.

• Texas Numismatic Association, Arlington, TX.

Security is provided by Doug Davis of Numismatic Crime Information Center and off duty Arlington police. Security is excellent from setup to breakdown

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with both uniform and plain clothes officers keeping constant vigilance of the bourse, parking areas, entrances and exits of the facility. Officers are well equipped with all the necessary weapons and equipment to handle most any incident. Registration and nametags are required for all attendees.

• Whitman Baltimore Coin & Currency Convention, Baltimore, MD.

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COL Steven Ellsworth is a retired Army Colonel with over 32 years of service. His many assignments include serving in the Army's Special Forces (Green Berets) as a Ranger. In addition he has had assignments as a Physical, Intelligence and Communication Security Inspector. He has received highly specialized training in anti-terrorist, physical, intelligence and personal protective security. He currently is a full time coin dealer and a collector and has served on many numismatic boards. He is a certified Master NRA Instructor and has been an instructor for the American Numismatic Association during the Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs numerous times over the past two decades. He currently serves on the Board of Governors of the ANA.

Colonel Ellsworth has written many articles on coin collector security over the last twenty years. After receiving constant inquires from collectors and dealers as to what type of security they could expect when attending various shows throughout the country and overseas, Colonel Ellsworth began to recognize those shows that did an outstanding job providing security. This is the 20th year a list has been named. For more information and tips on security, go to his website at www.Butternut.org. Or contact Colonel Steven Ellsworth, email; BUTTERNUT@Butternut.org Address; PO BOX 2869, Brentwood, TN 37024.

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DISTRICT ONE



NORTHEAST TARRANT COIN CLUB

NETCC DECEMBER MEETING - As soon as members arrived, they grabbed a plate and served themselves a great Christmas dinner. The meal was catered barbeque beef, sausage and turkey with all

the fix- in's. Our tireless ladies prepared everything else behind the scenes. While over 90 people were served, there was plenty for teenagers to go back for seconds to fill their bottomless pits.

Volunteers also brought many tasty desserts and side dishes. The deviled eggs and other sides were consumed as soon as they were placed on the table. Then the cookies and brownies met their fate. Finally, someone cut the cakes and pies, and they quickly vanished. Everyone ended the meal somewhat slumped back in their chair from all the good food, but ready for the evening's activities.

Special thanks for all of those who helped set up, serve and clean up. President Jesse Owens opened the meeting with 94 members and visitors present.

Jesse Owens announced that it is time to start gathering items for the April donation auction. The auction is a major source of funding for the Club. He also announced that we are a co-host of the ANA show in Irving March 8-10 and will need plenty of help.



Jack Gilbert, assisted by Russell Prinzinger, called the bingo game admirably. Nice prizes were given out not only for winners, but also

for second and even third bingos. In games that have become a member favorite, each table competed against other

folks at that table – twice; in all, with 30 winners claiming either a silver eagle or a snowman.

After about 15 games had been called (most with multiple winners), it was time for final game (blackout). Most members lacked only a number or two in completing the blackout,

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but one of new members Bob Sobel, won the grand prize, a 1/10th ounce gold coin. In response to the Toys for Tots campaign conducted by the US Marine Corps,

members loaded the table shown with new unwrapped gifts. The Marines are very appreciative of our members' generosity, and it is certain the toys will find good homes with needy kids. As always, Dave Werner volunteered to deliver the gifts to the Marine collection center.

JANUARY MEETING - President Jesse Owens opened the meeting on a cold wintry night with 53 hardy members and visitors present. Visitors recognized: Gil Hernandez, Zac and David Menerey.

New members: Drew and Gil Hernandez, David Menerey. The club also welcomed Chase Russell (William's younger brother and Jack Gilbert's grandson) as a new junior member.

Jesse recognized the Club officers and director for the coming year who were elected in November.

Jesse Owens announced that it is time to start gathering items for the April donation auction. The auction is a major source of funding for the Club. Donation items should be given to Kenny Smith or Russell Prinzinger.

Carl Stang reminded everyone that we are a co-host of the ANA show in Irving March 8-10; Carl is show chairman. Then Frank Hezmall encouraged members to volunteer as "ambassadors" who would help with everything from greeting, to setting up and tearing down. Our Club traditionally supplies a large proportion of volunteers. A sign up sheet was passed around.

Jack Gilbert and Cheryl Rybka spoke about the need for pages for this show. These would be youth between 13 and 19 to perform various duties for dealers on the bourse floor. We need eight pages per day, and experience tells us that these youth are rewarded handsomely by dealers. See Jack or Cheryl if you know of a youth that would be interested.

Lastly, the ANA also conducts grading classes (both currency and coins) in conjunction with its show. There is still room in these classes.

Starting next month, the Cowtown coin show will move from its Forest Hill location to White Settlement.

Finds: Richard Wallace displayed two albums of medals entitled "Great Men of Medicine"; these were very appealing items and reasonably inexpensive for what one gets. Bill Rogers displayed the new British Crown coin, consisting of .925 silver and gold-plated.

The Collectors Forum is restarting and will be held now on the fourth Tuesday of the month at the North Richland Library at 7:00pm.

Bill Proenza, one of our newer members, but long-time collector, gave the educational program. He relayed his experiences at the ANA's World's Fair of Money held last August in Denver. Not only did he attend the biggest national coin show, but also enrolled in the ANA course "Coin Conservation, Authentication and Grading". He described some of the techniques learn to detect counterfeits, as well as the extensive grading regimen the two-day course required. Two books are recommended: The Coin Collector's Survival Guide and ANA Grading Standards. His presentation was followed by a rather lengthy Q&A session.

The usual auction of 40 items, as well as the silent auction was conducted.

DISTRIC FOUR



CAPITOL CITY NOVEMBER MEETING - The November meeting brought a close to the club meeting at the Twin Oaks Branch Library as the move south has depreciated the number of members turning up for the meetings. The new location will find us further north in hopes to regain some of our membership. The club BBQ dinner will be at Pok-e-Joe's again with hopes that the cold weather will not rear its face like last year.

Elections were held with no change in the Treasurers or Secretary position, but Alan moved from Vice President to President and that left the V.P. job open, which is needs to be filled.

The program this month was a simple one whereby club members brought coins or paper money valued at \$5 and then they were randomly swapped with other members. There was also an auction which brought out Books, coins and old checks.

There was no December meeting per se; instead the club members met up at a local BBQ joint for a dinner. However, the cold temps and snow made travel difficult and caused some people to not want to get out or those that did, took nearly 2 hours to get there. The food was good and the fellowship was warm.

The outgoing club officers each received a 2017 Silver Eagle for their service. There was also a special award for "Member Service" top the club. This was open to any member who gave a presentation or helped out at a club coin show or other public endeavor the club did. The prize was a 1878-S Morgan Dollar.

The following Saturday the club participated in an event at the library where the clubs that meet there can show off their club and activities. There were four members who made it out and had a display of coins and freebies for the kids.



DALLAS NOVEMBER MEETING - The meeting was called to order by President Mike who began the meeting with an announcement of the most recent prices for gold and silver. (\$1,278.00 Gold/ \$17.09 Silver)

In attendance were 34 members and 4 guests. Linda C., Alex K., Marvin H. and Mary.

George informed the club of the passing of well known numismatist Eric P. Newman who died recently at the age of 106.

Hal reported nothing further has developed on the Dallas Historical Village exhibit and he's moving up the chain for approval.

OFFICER REPORTS: Mike asked for a show of hands for next month's Christmas party to determine attendance. Since there is usually a larger turn out at the party than a regular meeting he has discussed with the restaurant's owner about using the larger room if we need more space for the party.

Jose: Noted a lot of great articles on the NGC website and recent notable conditional rarities graded by NGC.

Show and Tell was shared by members with many interesting items on display. Door and raffle prizes were won by many happy winners.

PROGRAM: WWII Rationing Tokens. Office of Price Administration (OPA) by George M.

On January 8th, 1944 rationing started in the USA. There were two varieties (Red/Blue) and lots of letter combinations in the United States. (16 mm Tokens and the obverse/reverse are identical) and there were made of vulcanized fiber (a laminated plastic composed of only cellulose.) About 1.1 billion red and 900 million blue were produced. There are 54 two letter combinations. (24 blue/30 red) The meaning of the letter combinations can only be speculated. They may have been used to track geographically or to foil counterfeiters. They were used short term during the war and used 3-4 years at most. Reds are meant for meat/fats and blue for canned/processed foods. No tokens are dated. The MV red token is very scarce and WC, WH scarce in blue. The size was reduced from a quarter to a dime which made them very unpopular. Some people tried to substitute them for bus fare or vending machines which often caused the machines to jam.

Also they were very light, brittle and broke easily with metal contact. The cellulose became brittle at low temperatures and occasionally crumbled in the pocket. Supply didn't meet demand in some locations. Counterfeiters even cut them in half. After painting the blank side to match they often passed unnoticed. This doubled their redemption value. Every two weeks they were changed. Used for the duration of the war until 1946 and sugar rationing ended. In 1947 the OPA issued a recall and many were crushed. Some were then sent to Yugoslavia to use in Displaced Persons camps, making Yugoslavia a good source for collectors. Because of this some varieties are very rare and some quite common.

Germany started rationing in 1939. The UK started rationing the following year. In September of 1941 in Paris they started rationing even cigarettes, 4 per man, 0 for women. 1941 the USSR rationed food in the major cities.

In the USA, there were different regional shortages. Rationing was lifted in the USA for most things by 1945 and sugar by 1947. Tokens were produced in smaller numbers compared to pennies. The program cost an estimated \$30 Million and served a purpose preparing for food shortages during the war.

OPA token collecting is a small segment of the exonumia community and George has all but two very rare ones.

DECEMBER MEETING - Due to the fact that everybody was having a good time at the Christmas Party no notes were taken.

Stewart said the combined meetings with Collin County Coin Club may possibly resume next year. Possibly in February. Much depends on finding a good place that is somewhat centrally located.

DISTRICT SIX



BELLAIRE NOVEMBER **MEETINGS** -November 6. There were 20 people at the meeting. Garth discussed the Christmas dinner. Currently it is Sunday December 10. Richard H. notes on veteran's day, the baseball field, will have a special veteran's day band featuring Dennis Quaid, with his brother, lived in Bellaire. Karl

Since 1963

B discussed the of the club buying a program projector. It was noted that Jim Bevill when he was club president, bought a microscope viewer for the club. The following members presented a show and tell; Tim Conway, Richard Hyde, and Paul Krail. Paul Krail won the show and tell prize.

November 20. There were 23 people at the meeting. The business meeting went quickly for Richard H's Bellaire coin club website update. The program was first. The following members presented a show and tell; Tim Conway, Richard Hyde, Paul Krail and Alvin Stern. Alvin Stern won the show and tell prize. Then we continued the main meeting. January 18-19, Houston will have their show in Conroe. Rupert S wondered about the anniversary coin club token. Garth G noted with canceling of the January meetings. It is time to start to find a committee for elections. The club discussed what Jim Bevill has done for the club. Michal W stated this is first reminder to pay membership dues for 2018. Richard H was the first member to pay. We had a program on Richard H's Bellaire coin club website update.

DECEMBER MEETING - December 4 - There were 26 people at the meeting. Garth C noted that December 18 meeting would be cancelled. Garth reminded the Christmas dinner at Jax Grill-Shepherd. The dinner would be a first notice about membership. Garth C announced that both January meetings would be cancelled. New Bellaire library closings. First Monday is New Years Day. Third Monday is Martin Luther King Day.



Garth C and Tim C has created get together for January. Monday January 15. Golden Corral-NRG Stadium. 3033 South Loop West Houston Texas 77054. Interstate 610 Exit 2 At Main/ALT 90. Garth C will continue to distribute thank you cards from Pappas. Some cards have limited dates, usable only in January. Michael W announced this meeting is the first opportunity to pay membership for 2018. Didn't enough information. The following members presented a show and tell; Richardo D and Alvin S. The show and tell only had two speakers. Both members, won the show and tell prize.



GHCC NOVEMBER MEETING - Jack D. opened the meeting with the Pledge Of Allegiance led by Roxanne P.

Announcements:: A special presentation was made to the retiring GHCC EC member Mike Greenspan. Special appreciation to Jim S. for pretzel snacks for members attending the meeting.

Call For Visitors -- Visitors and guests are asked to please stand to be recognized: David M. who has tendered his application to be a member. Visitors Eddie A., James T. also joined us.

Show and Tell – Tom Schwartz, Chairman. Show and Tell drawing winner Andrew C.(YN)

Monthly Quiz – Chuck B. had handouts with the questions. They were distributed by the YN's in attendance. Results were: Larry R. got two right and won by random drawing.

Bill W. introduced the speaker along with anecdotes of members in the TNA News. He recognized Ricardo D.T. was at the National Conference in Bolivia to present a program on the mint located in Bolivia and Rick E. for his donation to ANA.

Bill introduced Jim S. to present his program: "Longacre: Engraving Change 1844-1869". Longacre was the 4th engraver of the US Mint.

Jim gave a well researched history of James Longacre from his engraving of early banknotes to coinage during his tenure at the US Mint.

New Member Election – Bill & William C. admitted to membership without dissent. Coins-for:A's – Eve B. sent a large package to Lake Jackson with coins for A's rewards.

Levinson Award applications for Summer Seminar attendance are being accepted.. HMS Sponsorships - Jim S. explained the mechanics of the sponsorships. Townsend Award -Gail B. spoke on the process of nominations. Attendance door prize drawing won by Steve F.

Auction: 100+ lots conducted after the meeting was adjourned.

DECEMBER MEETING - Called to Order Thursday, Dec. 14, President Jack D. The annual Christmas Party was attended by 51 members and guests. A good time was had by all.



2017 Townsend Award and all prior winners of the Townsend Award



2017 Winners of Townsend Award

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John B really appreciates this surprise!

DISTRICT SEVEN



GATEWAY NOVEMBER MEETINGS - Nov. 2 - The meeting was opened with three visitors and twenty-nine members in attendance, including all officers. Our visitors were Carolyn B. (mother of Matt and Luke B.), Margarita F. (wife of David F.), and Steve W. (husband of Debbie W.).

Under Old Business: An informative discussion was held about the "Coins, Collectibles, and Antiques" event scheduled for January 6th.The Numismatic Roundtable was led by LeRoy M. Several interesting items were show.

The "Ask the Expert" session was led by James W. who predicted that the United States will eventually become a cashless society. In 1933, we stopped producing gold coins for circulation. In 1964, we stopped minting silver coins for circulation. Consumer payments using credit and debit cards, as well as electronic transactions such as PayPal, have become the norm in many commercial businesses. James W. also discussed the classic US commemoratives issued after World War II. No commemorative coins were minted during World War II. Following the war, the mint struck commemorative coins strictly to be keepsakes or collectibles, not to be circulated.

The Raffle Winners were Leon W., Ray T., Robert J. (three times), Luke B., and Larry F.

The auction was conducted by David A. and Matt B., with the assistance of Frank G. and Luke B. Several items were donated by Mike G., Larry F., David A., Frank G., and Steve M. These donated lots were purchased by Larry F., Don P., Robert J., Steve W., Debbie W., Ed B., Luke B., Matt B., and Steve M. The sale of these donated lots raised a total of \$60 for the club's treasury. GCC thanks the donors and the purchasers for their generosity.

The Raffle Winners were Leon W., Ray T., Robert J. (three times), Luke B., and Larry F.

The Attendance Prize, a 1956 Mexican ten-pesos silver coin that featured Hidalgo, was given to Ray T.

Nov. 16 - The meeting opened with two visitors and twenty-eight members in attendance, including all officers. One visitor was Carolyn B. (mother of Matt and Luke B.). The second visitor, George G., who joined our ranks that evening and became the newest GCC member.

Under Old Business: David A. discussed the "Coins, Collectibles, and Antiques" event scheduled for January 6th. The Mall has room for sixty spaces, so spread the word to get more vendors signed up for this event.

Karla G. announced the details for the GCC Christmas Dinner on December.21st. GCC also held a raffle and numismatic auction.

The Numismatic Roundtable was led by LeRoy M. Several members were partipants with very interesting items.

The "Ask the Expert" session was led by James W., who discussed the commemorative coins issued by the US Mint for the Sesquicentennial in 1926. The mint struck two coins: a silver half dollar and a quarter eagle (gold \$2.50 piece). The coins featured both George Washington and Calvin Coolidge on the obverse. James W. also issued a warning about purchasing gold coins in APMEX packaging from unknown vendors. A coin recently sold to a pawn shop in an original APMEX holder turned out to be counterfeit. The counterfeiter used tungsten to duplicate the gold coin. Steve M. discussed an interesting article he read in Readers Digest about the 1933 US double eagle gold coins.

The Raffle Winners were Don P., Steve M., Andy G., James W. (two times), Robert J., and Andy C.

The Numismatic Educational Program was presented by Larry F., who discussed "The History of Military Coins of the World." Larry said that though he had been in the US Air Force for twenty-one years, he knew nothing about military coins until fifteen years after he retired. Military coins are primarily one of three types of coins: the unit coin, the recognition

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coin, and the challenge coin. Nearly every US military unit has a unit coin. The Rhode Island Ship Token of 1779 is thought to be the first unit coin. He gave a brief synopsis of each of the three coins and showed some of the coins from his collection. Thanks.

The auction was conducted by David A. and Matt B., with the assistance of Frank G. and Luke B. Several items were donated by Mike G., Frank G., Robert J., and Steve M. These donated lots were purchased by Larry F., Don P., Andy C., Robert J., Matt B., and Steve M.. The sale of these donated lots raised a total of \$55.50 for the club's treasury. GCC thanks the donors and the purchasers for their generosity.

The Attendance Prize, a[°] 1956 Mexican ten-pesos silver coin featuring Hidalgo, was given to Paul R.

DECEMBER MEETINGS - Dec. 7 - The meeting opened with two visitors and twenty-three members in attendance, including all officers.

The visitors were Esther G.-J., the wife of Robert J. and Pat M., a friend of Walter S.

Under Old Business: Karla G. gave the details for the Christmas Dinner Meeting on December.21st.

David A. discussed the "Coins, Collectibles, and Antiques" event scheduled for January 6th, he also reminded members that he needs volunteers to present numismatic educational programs in 2018. If you can present a program in January, February or March, or any other month of 2018, please contact David.

The Numismatic Roundtable was led by David A. with many great items shared by several members.

The Raffle Winners were Todd B., Leon W., Andy G., Larry F., Paul R., Nancy M., and Gene F.

The auction was conducted by David A. and Matt B., with the assistance of Frank G. and Luke B. Several items were donated by Mike G., Frank G., and Larry F. These donated lots were purchased by Larry F., Gene F., Robert J., and Ed B. The sale of these donated lots raised a total of \$32.25 for the club's treasury. GCC thanks the donors and the purchasers for their generosity.

The Attendance Prize, a 1922 US Peace Dollar, was won by Todd B.

Dec. 21 - The last meeting of the year, opened with thirty-six members in attendance, including all officers. The meeting was held at Augie's Alamo City BBQ Steakhouse. There were also seven guests present at the dinner: Mike G.'s wife Teresa, Robert J.'s wife Esther, Debbie W.'s husband Steve, and Todd B.'s mother Joanne, his wife Carolyn, and his two youngest children, Emma and Samuel.

The invocation was given by Andy C. Junior member John T. then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Everyone in attendance was served dinner, followed by Italian Cream Cake and a strawberry for dessert.

The meeting resumed at 7:35 p.m. Under Old Business: David A. and Karla G. discussed the "Coins, Collectibles, and Antiques" event scheduled for January 6th. Forty spaces had been sold as of this date, with several pending.

There was no New Business. Under Announcements, Karla G reminded the members who have reserved spaces at the January 6th show that the Club has six display cases. Those who wanted to use any of the cases were asked to let her know by the end of the meeting, so they can be brought to the next meeting on Thursday the 4th.

The Numismatic Roundtable was led by LeRoy M. Numerous items werre shared.

The Raffle Winners were Samuel B. (2 times), Mike G. (2 times), LeRoy M., Debbie W., Leon W., Stan M., Paul R., and Nancy M.

The Auction was conducted by David A. and Matt B., with the assistance of Frank G. and John T. A number of items were donated by Mike G., Frank G., and Larry F. These donated lots were purchased by Larry F., Celi M., Stan M., LeRoy M., Steve M., Samuel B., Frank G., Robert J., and Todd B. The sale of these donated lots raised a total of \$59.25 for the club's treasury. GCC thanks the donors and the purchasers for their generosity.

The Attendance Prize, a 1925 US Peace Dollar, was won by Robert J. David A. gave the benediction.

DISTRICT TEN



INTERNATIONAL COIN CLUB OF EL PASO, INC. (FOUNDED 1963)

EL PASO NOVEMBER MEETING - The was opened by President John Grost with 39 members and 2 guests present. Guests were Charles Krueger and Gerardo Guemez. They were asked to share their numismatic interests.

During the business meeting there was discussion concerning the Albuquerque Coin Show. Many of the El Paso members attended the show. Chuck had the new club medals for sale at the meeting.

John gave a presentation on "Interesting Coins of the US." He talked about several coins, such as the 1933 double eagle, the 1916 quarter, the 1909 VDB cent, 1913 5 cent piece, 1884 trade dollar, 1804 dollar, 1894S Barber dime and the 1895 Morgan dollar. John explained why these coins were "coins of interest."

A lively auction was held by the auctioneering team. There were four winners for the numismatic prizes – Don, Abe, Mario and David.

DECEMBER MEETING - President John Grost opened the meeting with 30 members present.

At the beginning of the meeting, Bob graciously gave out gifts to everyone present.

Discussion centered around the upcoming coin show, February 16, 17 and 18, 2018. John is establishing the John & Cristina Grost Award for the best mini exhibit for the show. The ANA Past President will be present at the show, and he will work with a kids' treasure hunt. The Railroad Museum bought eight (8) sets of medals and they will set up a display. Harold will take care of the raffle tickets. All members of the club are encouraged to volunteer and purchase the raffle tickets.

All members are asked to bring a wrapped numismatic gift to the Christmas Party.

Congratulations to Brian, whose book "A Monetary History of Central America," will be published sometime in January. It will sell for \$99.00, but he will have a few here for sale at \$60.00. One copy will be placed in the club library and one will be auctioned at one of our meetings.

John gave a presentation on US Obsolete Paper Money explaining it is paper money no longer current – demonetized. He gave many examples of obsolete paper money. There are thousands of pieces of obsolete bank notes available.

John also showed several paper notes depicting pictures of Santa Claus.

Roger, Bob and Willie conducted the auction for the evening. Winners of the numismatic prizes were Ran, Steve, Don and Armando.

DISTRICT ELEVEN



GOLDEN SPREAD JANUARY MEETING - The meeting was called to order. In attendance were Paul Otts, Tommy Tompkins, Norman Goodfellow, Doug Hershey, Charles Freas, Kelly Archer, Karl Nash, Rick Morie, Chuck Michael, Mike Nowak, and Kurt Gehring.

Precious metals prices: Gold \$1317.5, a nice increase from November. Silver \$17.06, down by pennies from November. Platinum \$967, slightly up from November, and Palladium \$1093, another record gain.

Mike Nowak called for a motion to roll over the leadership of The Golden Spread Coin Club. The motion was made and seconded and passed by a unanimous vote.

The dues for 2018 are now due and are requested to be paid by the February meeting.

Chuck Freas presented another program of very interesting bits of numismatic history. We are all looking forward to your next presentation, Chuck.



In Show and Tell, Chuck Freas showed of an 1861-D XF40 Confederate half dollar with a bisected date, a Seated Liberty Half dollar, 1936 minted for York County in MS66 condition, a 1915 -S Pan Pacific 50 cent piece at MS62, and an Arkansas Centennial, 1936-D 50 cent piece graded MS66. Mike Nowak showed a Morgan dollar 1879-S with altered surfaces, and a 1903 Morgan with misaligned dies. Paul Otts had a find of a 1984 Lincoln Cent with a strange pattern over the coin.

This month's drawing was for a John Adams Peace Medal, a Franklin Roosevelt medal, and a Jefferson Peace Medal. Norman Goodfellow was the winner

The \$20 gift certificate wasn't won. Next meeting the prize will be \$25.

NOVEMBER - The meeting was attended by Paul Otts, Rick Morie, Chuck Michael, Norman Goodfellow, Karl Nash, Kurt Gehring, Kelly Archer, Chuck Freas, and Mike Nowak.

DISTRICT TWELVE



TYLER NOVEMBER MEETING - Meeting called to order by TCC President Lane B. with pledge to the flag. Attendance: Members: 36 New Members: 1 Guests 1 Total: 38

- The club was lead in prayer by Dwight S.
- Introduction/recognition of guests, visitors, and new members.

• Recognition of members with birthdays and anniversaries in month of November.

• Aleasha presented members with final details for the Annual Christmas Dinner - December 12th – Golden Corral, 5601 S. Broadway.

• Lane distributed the 2018 prayer leader & refreshment signup sheet to members.

• David H. discussed details of the 2018 coin show (see below).

• The floor was opened for nomination of 2018 club officers (current Treasurer is not running.)

• Election of club officers will be held at the December 12th meeting.

• Lane discussed future meeting location options; reviewing both financial considerations and growth in club membership.

• Meals on Wheels (MOW) donations for November - \$60.

2018 Show Update (David H.): Show dates: Friday, June 22nd and Saturday, June 23rd. Venue: Harvey Hall Convention Center

• David discussed additional details including expenses, advertising, volunteers, committee members, raffle, and sponsorships

Club Auction (Tom): 9 regular auction items sold.

37 Angel Tree auction items sold.

Door prize winners: Ed, John, Lane, and Royce

Refreshments: A big Thank You to Don H. for providing refreshments!

DECEMBER MEETING - Meeting called to order by TCC President Lane B. with pledge to the flag. Attendance: Members, Spouses, and Guests: Total 38

Discussion of Agenda Items (Lane)

• The club was lead in prayer by Dwight S.

• Introduction/recognition of guests, visitors, and new members.

• Lane offered special thanks to Aleasha for coordinating the dinner event.

• A follow-up discussion was led by Lane regarding meeting locations. Dudley made a motion to hold meetings at the new location; Allen seconded the motion. All members present were in favor.

• David H. discussed details of the 2018 coin show. The show is Friday, June 22nd and Saturday, June 23rd at Harvey Convention Center.

• David H. gave a brief report on results of Salvation Army Angel Tree effort (see details below).

• Lane discussed educational presentations for 2018. A signup sheet was distributed among members. Show & Tell presentations were also discussed for members wanting to share information.

• Officer Elections: Lane noted nominations for 2018 club officers were opened at the November meeting. Nominations for all current officers were made at that time with the exception of Treasurer (Barry retiring). Royce Jackson was subsequently nominated as Treasurer.

John H. made a motion to close nominations; Ray S. seconded. All members present were in favor.

Don H. made a motion to elect those currently nominated as club officers for the 2018 term; Tommy seconded. All members present were in favor.

2018 Officers are: President – Lane Brunner; 1st Vice President – Richard Laster; 2nd Vice President – Howard Westbrook

; Treasurer – Royce Jackson; Secretary - Carl Shotts

• Next meeting is January 9th at W.T. Brookshire Hall on the UT Tyler campus.

• Christmas Fun - Lane presented members and guests with a lively game of Christmas trivia. The winning table was David/Sherry & Dwight/ Billie Sue.

• Door prize drawings for guests and members.

• Salvation Army Angel Tree (David H.) This is the 6th year David and Sherry have organized the Salvation Army Angel Tree effort on behalf of the club. Over \$1,800 was raised through club auctions and donations. Clothing and gifts were purchased for 11 children and 1 senior! Continuing their tradition, Sherry and David presented a beautiful Angel Tree display board with photos of the gifts purchased for all 12 Angel recipients.

• Lane expressed his sincere appreciation to club members for their generous donations and to David and Sherry for their dedication and commitment leading this effort.

JANUARY MEETING - Meeting called to order by TCC President Lane B. with pledge to the flag.Attendance: Members: 40 New Members 1 Guests: 3 Total: 44

Discussion of Agenda Items (Lane)

• The club was lead in prayer by Tommy L.

• Introduction/recognition of guests, visitors, and new members.

• Recognition of members with birthdays and anniversaries in month of January.

• Lane distributed the 2018 prayer leader & refreshment signup sheet to members.

• Royce discussed the requirements to become a Boy Scouts merit badge counselor. As an approved counselor, interested members could then assist with Coin Collecting merit badges.

• Lane informed members that officers were in initial discussions regarding a Dealer membership level and accompanying page for the club website.

• The ANA is offering two seminars just prior to the National Money Show; Grading U.S. Paper Money and Fundamentals of Grading U.S. Coins. These are 2-day seminars scheduled for March 6-7.

• Allen brought free numismatic reference materials for anyone interested (encouraged by his Chief of Staff).

• Lane discussed educational presentations and coin clinics (aka show & tell) encouraging member participation at monthly meetings.

• Ed W. presented a fascinating discussion on 1745 Great Britain coinage with "Lima" silver connection.

• Tyler Coin Show Update (June 22-23, 2018): David H. presented an update on tables reserved/sold as well as advertising efforts.

• Larry V. gave an update on educational displays planned for the show and called for additional participation.

• Allen mentioned the Gem & Mineral Show (last weekend of January) The sponsors of the show Gem and Mineral show will allow our club to leave show flyers.

• Carl mentioned a show event would be created on the club's Facebook page later this week.

Club Auction (Tom): 29 auction items sold.

Door prize winners: A.J., Andrew, Horst, Ray, and Tony

Refreshments: A big Thank You to Royce for providing refreshments!



DISTRICT THIRTEEN

GREENBELT COIN CLUB

GREENBELT DECEMBER MEETING -The meeting was called to order by President Brian Sweitzer. Ten members and two visitors, Tom Robinson and Harlan Screws, were in attendance.

Announcements. Brian Sweitzer announced that longtime member, Bill Howard, will celebrate his 92nd birthday on December 5th. Jean said that she had talked with Ollie Garrett. He is doing better and hopes to be able to attend our club meetings in the near future. Connolly O'Brien announced that a coin show would be held at Sherman on January 5th and that the next Grapevine show will be held on Feb 2-4.

Old Business. Brian reminded everyone that our January meeting will be held on the second Monday at the Nursing Home. Rob Robinson reminded everyone that the Wichita Falls Coin Club Christmas party will be held at Luby's at 6PM on December 14. Everyone should bring a \$10 wrapped gift for the Chinese gift exchange.

Program. Tony Zupkas told about King Richard II of England who had a very short rein. Some gold coins with his likeness were found recently near where he died in the 1480's. The coins may have belonged to some of King Richard's soldiers. Only a handful of the coins still exist from his 2-year rein. The coins were found using a metal detector at a depth of 16 inches in a farmer's field.

Drawings were held and Jean Sweitzer was the winner of the membership drawing – a BU 1982 George Washington half dollar. Raffle prize winners were Danny Walker - a 2017 Canada Maple Leaf; Rob Robinson - a 2002 Proof Set; Jean Sweitzer - a 1991 Mint Set; Jean Sweitzer - a 1983 Proof Set; and James Bradley - a 1983 Proof Set.

Bonus Drawings. In addition, Brian Sweitzer provided some coins for bonus drawings. Winners were James Bradley - a Greek silver coin, Harlan Screws - several 5 schilling coins which he gave to Jean, Randy Boyd - a roll of circulated Wheat cents, and James Bradley - a number of tokens.

Rob Robinson conducted the 69-lot auction of which 48 items sold..

WICHITA FALLS OCTOBER MEETING - 20 Members present with no visitor. Old Business: Connolly O'Brien went over the results from the coin went over the results from the coin show. He passed around the results which indicated that the club lost \$381.00. Jeff Hogue has been trying to reserve a place at Luby's on the second Thursday in December for the Coin Club's Christmas Party. Program: Rob Robinson talked about Penny Boards. Today, there are Whitman and Dansco Albums as well as the Whitman foldent albume it all starts d is the active 10020's where the

Whitman foldout albums. It all started in the early 1930's when J.K. Post of Wisconsin came up with the idea of printing Penny Boards for collecting coins. Wayte Raymond put out the earliest coin book beginning in 1935. It cost about \$2.50, which was quite expensive at the time. Post worked with Whitman Publishing Company that produced children's puzzles and had the technology to cut out penny boards which were sold for 25 cents. Post sold the concept to Whitman Publishing Company in 1939. Rob said that Whitman converted the penny board into the more familiar three folds version beginning in the early 1940s.

Membership Prize: 1982 Proof Washington Silver Half Dollar: Jean Sweitzer

Raffle Prizes: 2017 Silver Eagle: Bryan Sweitzer; 1992 Mint Set: Rob Robinson; 1989 Proof Set: Hayden Richards

Auctioneers: Rob Robinson, # of Consigners 8, # of lots 66.

DISTRICT FOURTEEN

HIDALGO COIN CLUB OF THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY Established in 1960

HIDALGO DECEMBER MEETING - The meeting was called to order by President Raul H. Gonzalez with 42 members present plus 2 visitors. The new members that applied the month before were accepted at this meeting. The HCC ended the year with 104 members. We start brand new every year with previous members renewing their memberships. 6 door prizes were given out.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance as always. At this meeting, over 100 coin lots were auctioned off after the business part with Michael Hecht and Sam Rodio serving as the auctioneers and Rene de la Garza and Brent Garza as the money runners.

The big Fall Coin & Collectibles Show was held on Nov. 4 & 5, 2017 at the Nomad Shrine Hall. It turned out to be a big success.

The club membership voted for Officers for the year 2018. Every year in the month of November, elections are held for the 5 Officer positions. These are one year terms. President Raul H. Gonzalez announced to the membership that after 8 years of serving, he'll be stepping down to take care of some health issues. The new President elected is Mike Alaniz, Vice-Pres. Doug Jenkins, Sec. Rene de la Garza, new Treasurer Dennis Heidick and Leo Ris remains as the Historian. The rest of the Executive Council is comprised of 4 members, Sam Rodio, John Gilliland, Brent Garza and Raul H. Gonzalez. The 9 member Council is now set to start 2018.

December is always one of the nicest months of the year for our club. Our Annual Awards Banquet was held on the 15th at the Old Church Winery on Main St. in McAllen, Tx. It was a church built in the 1940's and has been restored by the McAllen Chamber of Commerce to be a banquet hall. It turned out to be our best banquet so far.



The Young Numismatist of the Year was 13 year old

Cameron Williams



Pres. Raul H. Gonzaez presents the trophy to Rene de la Garza, Member of the Year

The Award Winners are as follow: The Hidalgo Coin Club Member of the Year is Rene de la Garza, who serves as our Secretary as well as the TNA Governor of District 14.



Outstanding Service Awards

Awards were also given to the members that did Outstanding Service to the club in 2017. 14 Members were very active in the success of the club. (2 were not present at the banquet).



One of the hardest things to accomplish in a District this big in area, is to attend all 12 monthly meetings on the 2nd Monday of every month. 9 Members made it a point to attend all of them. One member was unable to attend the banquet.



Perfect Attendance Awards

Three members were also selected to be named Lifetime Member recipients. They are: Show Chairman Sam Rodio, Winter Texan Raymond Pike and out going Treasurer, Gordon Taylor.

JANUARY MEETING - The meeting was called to order by newly elected President, Mike Alaniz. This and all meetings for the year 2018 was held at the McAllen Chamber of Commerce. The new members that applied have been accepted. The Hidalgo Coin Club is starting the year of 2018 with 54 members. Every year, we start from scratch as members renew their memberships and new ones apply. 7 Door Prizes were given out.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance as usual. The first order of business was to inform the membership about the upcoming Coin Shows. First was the Friday Night Coin Show held at the Chamber. A good crowd showed up for the first of 11 night shows scheduled for the year. Our 30th Annual Winter Show was discussed. It will be held on the weekend of Jan. 27 & 28, 2018 at the Nomad Shrine Hall in Pharr, Tx. This is our longest running show in the club's history and is generally our best attended.

Dealer tables are only \$50 per day with general admission of \$3 per person. Anyone wishing to sell or attend our large coin shows should contact Show Chairman, Sam Rodio at 956-867-1284 or email him at samrodio@aol.com.

For a list of upcoming events for the Hidalgo Coin Club, please visit our web site - www.hidalgocoinclub.com

The Jan. meeting ended with a lively auction of about 80 coins with Auctioneers Sam Rodio and Michael Hecht and 2 Money Runners - Rene de la Garza and Brent Garza.

DISTRICT FIFTEEN



BEAUMONT NOVEMBER MEETING - The meeting was called to order by President John W. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Barbara W. 20 members and 5 guests were in attendance. We welcomed two new members.

The Treasurer's report was received. A motion was brought forth and approved to make a donation to the meeting site hosts in thanks for their hospitality and use of utilities. The Show committee will meet after the New Year. Elections were held and the 2018 Slate of Officers was approved – Colby B as President, John W as Vice President, Jana W as Secretary and Judy M as Treasurer.

Door Prizes were drawn and the Annual Auction was held with some excellent specimens up for sale.

SILSBEE COIN CLVB

SILSBEE MEETINGS - Rick Fetterol reporting: November club meeting minutes are not available at this time. Our November program was on coins in Biblcal times.

Our last club meeting was a Christmas get together in December where our club members enjoyed dinner and special activities.

DISTRICT SEVENTEEN



WACO COIN CLUB

WACO NOVEMBER MEETING - Tom called the meeting to order.

Raffle prizes: James Haney, Joyce McCall, Collin Kubacak and Gloria Lucas

Door Prize: Collin Kubacak

Cash prize: Alan Wood was present. \$25 next month

There were in attendance several members and visitor, Noryce Caraway,

Business: Our spring show will be March 30 and 31.. That is Good Friday.

The TNA Convention next year is the first weekend in June 2018. The ANA Show is March 8-10 2018 in Irving.

It is time to send ANA summer scholarship applications.

TNA membership is \$20 and get a good magazine 6 times/year.

ANA is more expensive but get a good magazine 12 times/year.

The Numismatist from ANA has good articles. You get the magazine by paying ANA dues; \$46 for paper copy, \$28 for online.

ANA members can go to an ANA show free, nonmembers \$6. TNA members can go to a TNA show free. Everyone is encouraged to join. For \$20 you can receive the TNA magazine every other month.

Show and Tell: Tom talked about Israel. He spoke of a Russian speaking church, also saw Sea of Galilee, old city Jerusalem, Asdod, and Magdala. In is the oldest synagogue ever escavated. They found coins from BC 5 and AD 29. He bought some coins both widow's mites and roman coins.

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

DECEMBER MEETING - Tom called the meeting to order. There were in attendance 17 members and 2 visitors: Noryce Caraway, and Luane Freeman.

Tom called to order.

Officer nomination were made. The nominations were:

President - Tom Campbell

Vice President - Alan Wood

Treasurer - Bob Schueltze

Secretary - Alton Hassell Director - Collin Kubacak

Additional nominations can be by calling Alton Hassell at 254-723-

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Voting for officers for the coming year will be at the January meeting. We had a very nice Christmas party. There were prizes for all and a lot of good food.

Business: Meeting is now at 7:00.

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From the Waco Coin Club Newsletters HISTORICAL FACTS The images and information came from Heritage Auctions.

Amazing Presentation strike 1795 Draped Bust dollar.

The 1795 B-14, BB-51 dollar with an off-center Draped Bust represents the first appearance of the new Draped Bust obverse design. The Small Eagle reverse also made its first appearance here. The circumstances surrounding the coin's issuance are subject to a certain amount of speculation. The designer and engraver remain unidentified, the exact timing of the Mint's transition from the Flowing Hair design to the Draped Bust type is uncertain, and the actual mintage of the new design is a further unknown variable relating to the production of 1795 Draped Bust dollars.

> Much speculation about the designer of this coin type has appeared in print over several decades. The 19th century Mint Director James Ross Snowden wrote in 1861 that Gilbert Stuart designed the Draped Bust obverse, information that he received from "a relation of the family." Conflicting evidence exists in the form of a September 9, 1795 payment of \$30 to John Eckstein for "two models for dollars." While we don't know the specifics of those models, the timing is right for obverse and

reverse models for the Draped Bust, Small Eagle dollars. William Nyberg argues Chief Engraver Robert Scot was a far more likely source of the Draped Bust design. There is no contemporary evidence to support Gilbert Stuart's involvement, while Scot had extensive experience in drapery designs from his time preparing engravings for Dobson's 1792 Encyclopedia. In Robert Scot, Engraving Liberty, Nyberg writes (pp. 123-4): "The iconic Draped Bust designs were allegorical representations that were 'emblematic of liberty,' as required by law in the Coinage Act of 1792, and were designed and engraved by the

person commissioned specifically for that purpose, Robert Scot."

Silver dollars were delivered from the Coiner to the Mint Treasurer on August 29, 31, September 1, and 12, and again on September 24. While there are no existing Mint records that discuss the design change, the September 24 or October 3 deliveries are likely. Researcher R.W. Julian suggests a mintage of 78,238 Draped Bust silver dollars, the total of deliveries in the fourth guarter of 1795, from October 3 through

the final delivery of the year on October 24.

Although we don't know if examples were struck in 1796, Julian's mintage figure is probably accurate. The actual number may have been smaller as only two die pairs are identified.

There are several prooflike Mint State 1795 Draped Bust silver dollars known, but the coin, while not the highest graded example, clearly has a special look, as evidenced by the Specimen-62 grade assigned by NGC. It features full strike definition throughout, including Liberty's curls and the eagle's breast, wing, and leg feathers. Both sides are fully mirrored with silvery, steel-gray color and splashes of pale lavender. A few light striations appear over the central obverse, and tiny ticks limit the technical grade. Still, this amazing specimen is nearly in a class of its own, and was made with care, lacking any adjustment marks on the obverse or reverse.

The finest certified 1879 Schoolgirl Dollar in silver

The "Schoolgirl" dollar is George T. Morgan's masterpiece. The design of Liberty faces left, with E PLURIBUS at the left rim, seven stars above, UNUM at the right rim, four more stars, the date 1879, and finally two more stars before we come back around from whence we began. Liberty's hair is combed back and tied with a ribbon behind her head. A hairband is inscribed LIBERTY, and a string of pearls encircles her neck, as her flowing locks cascade down her shoulder. The reverse features a defiant eagle, seemingly about to take flight, facing left on a rectangular perch with IN GOD WE TRUST. An olive sprig is in the left field, with three arrows in the right field. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and ONE DOLLAR are at the rims, separated by periods.



This is the finest certified 1879 Schoolgirl dollar, graded PR66 Deep Cameo by PCGS . This coin is struck in silver with a reeded edge. Saul Teichman has traced only 15 examples of the Schoolgirl dollar in silver, and the complete roster is listed on USPatterns.com. This is his #9 example, pieces that are listed in no particular grade order. Of the 15 known pieces, four are impounded in museums (two are in the Smithsonian, one is in the ANS, and the ANA Museum has the DiBello-Bass coin). Many of the known examples have been cleaned. Those two factors drastically reduce the number of collectible Schoolgirl dollars.

This is a deeply mirrored example with strikingly frosted devices, the combination of which produces a strong (or Deep) Cameo effect. Most of



each side is brilliant with a noticeable ring of deep golden toning around the margin on each side. This is the highest-graded and only graded Deep Cameo example certified by PCGS and nothing comparable has been graded by NGC, making this the finest example certified by either of the major services. A lifetime (or two) may pass before the opportunity occurs again to purchase this finest known Schoolgirl dollar.





NUMISMATIC CRIME INFORMATION CENTER



RECOVERED FOREIGN CURRENCY DECEMBER 11, 2017

In August a well known currency collector reported to NCIC that he was the victim of a theft that resulted in the loss of a foreign collection valued at approx \$40,000. A break in the case came when some of the notes appeared on Ebay and the victim contacted NCIC. During the past several months NCIC has assisted the victim and law enforcement in coordinating the recovery of the bulk of the collection.

The notes were stolen in Pennsylvania and sold in Florida.

SEEKING ADDITIONAL VICTIMS DECEMBER 12, 2017

Detectives with the Lincoln, NE police department continue to look for additional victims who may have been defrauded by the two subjects pictured below. They are suspected of theft and writing bad checks to antique shops and malls for gold



and silver throughout the midwest. The losses may exceed \$300,000.

The male subjects given name is Aubrey C. Trail and the female Bailey M. Boswell. The male subject has introduced himself as Allan and claims

to run an antique business under the name of A&B Antiques.

The subjects are currently in custody but Detectives are looking for anyone who has come into contact with these two subjects. They are also persons of interest in the Sydney Loofe death investigation.

Anyone with information please contact:

Sgt. Steve Wiese, Lincoln Police Department, 402-441-8675

STOLEN CURRENCY DECEMBER 15, 2017

A USPS package being sent from Tennessee to Southern California was delivered ripped open and contents removed.

The following notes were stolen: \$5 1928B Legal Tender DA block PCGS 65PPQ s/n D97067180A

\$2 1953A Legal Tender *A block PMG 66EPQ s/n *03345352A

\$1 1899 Silver Certificate PMG 53 s/n K23758473K

\$10 1934 Federal Reserve Note Philadelphia LGS PMG 64EPQ s/n C16686658A

\$10 1934D Silver Certificate Wide, BA block PMG 64 s/n B39206882A

\$100 1862 Confederate PMG 64EPQ s/n 47158

\$20 1914 Federal Reserve Note Minneapolis PMG 35 s/n 15064074A

\$20 1950B Federal Reserve Note GB block PMG 67EPQ s/n G84598342B

\$1 1935A North Africa IC block PCGS 67PPQ s/n 136067096C

\$1 1918 FRBN Boston PMG 55 s/n A3631851

STOLEN COIN DECEMBER 24, 2017

The coin pictured below was stolen from a shop in the Sacramento, CA area.

A person of interest in this case has been identified and additional information will be sent out at a later date.



RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY DECEMBER 31, 2017

We have received information from a Chicago dealer regarding a residential burglary in the Chicago area where 300 gold German 20 marks were taken. No further information is available at this time. However, be aware of this offense in case any person or persons brings in quantities of 20 marks.

USPS PACKAGE JANUARY 13, 2018

A USPS package being shipped from Pennsylvania to Florida has been reported stolen. The package contained the following coins.

1) 1875 20CENT Commercial Unc., Obverse & Reverse electric blue tone

2) 1893-S Morgan Dollar

3) 1900 O/CC Morgan Dollar, Brilliant AU, Scarce VAM over mint mark variety.

4) 1907 Liberty Head Type \$2.5D Gold, Choice Unc, Deep brilliant Luster.



Only two photos available at this time. Leads have been developed in this case.

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION JANUARY 13, 2018

The Numismatic Crime Information Center is looking for information on a company identified as Florida Coin Gallery.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

I want to thank everyone who donated in the recent donation campaign. We have been successful due to your participation. Your donatons provides us with a great start for the year. I hope everyone has a posperous and safe 2018.

If you would like to donate go to www.numismaticcrimes.org or send to P.O. Box 14080 Arlington, Texas 76094)

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

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

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FEBRUARY 24

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SAN ANTONIO

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March 30-31

32 TABLES

Waco

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APRIL 6-7

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