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When I became editor of the TNA News, our publication format was half page letter size. Starting in 2007 we changed to a full letter size page format with 24 inside pages. Our publication has grown since then. We have been publishing a 32 page newsletter for the last few months until this issue. With the inclusion of our “Programs Overview & Procedure”, I had to add another 4 pages. This newsletter is becoming a magazine!

We will probably drop back to 32 pages next issue unless... we receive more articles from our members!

Hey - do you want a newsletter or a magazine??? I’m willing if you are. I know our membership has many qualified numismatists that know how to write an article. We have 3 or 4 regular members who are carrying the load by contributing articles each issue. We could go out of Texas for national writers to provide quality articles, however, this is the “TNA News” - the “T” stands for... you get the picture.

Our Board of Directors are initiating a comprehensive program to help our members and clubs realize their numismatic educational goals while we have the means to do so. A part of these goals can be accomplished through this publication with your contributions. OK - soapbox done.

There is a lot of material in this issue for our readers, information you can use and interesting knowledge from our members. “Texas Happenings” is an extra page because of the participation of our clubs. Thanks a bunch and keep up the good work!

Until Next Time,
Ron Kersey

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TNA member R-7091, Ken Carpenter Jr., 66, passed away Thursday, Aug. 22, 2013.

Ken was a long time member of the Northeast Tarrant Coin Club where he volunteered in numerous areas of the club’s activities. He was also a regular volunteer at the annual TNA shows.

Ken’s other hobbies were his grandchildren, traveling and attending Dallas Cowboys, Texas Rangers and Maverick games.

Ken is survived by his wife, Sue Ann, who also joined with him in his club activities. Other members of Ken’s family include his son, Kenny and wife, Aleasha; grandchildren, Victoria and Andrew; and brothers, David and wife, Irene, and Lynn and wife, Valerie.

The TNA would like to extend its condolences to Ken’s family.
From the President...

Debbie Williams

Frank and Karla Galindo were two of the first members I met when I attended my first TNA show some 20 years ago. A few years later, I started putting together a set of TNA medals and began visiting the medals table regularly to purchase back issues for my collection. I was so impressed with the Galindos’ commitment to the TNA and their depth of knowledge about the subject matter featured on each medal. I recently learned Frank has chronicled a brief history of each medal in the entire set dating back to the first issue in 1969. Frank’s concern that the TNA may lose pieces of history prompted him to take on the project.

The Galindos’ dedication to the TNA spans over four decades. Frank tells me he and Karla joined in 1974, only five years after they married. He was appointed District Seven Governor the following year and continues to serve in that capacity. In 1987, Frank was appointed Medals Officer. Karla unofficially served as Frank’s assistant for years and the TNA Board recognized her contributions several years ago when they officially appointed her as Assistant Medals Officer.

Frank has designed 32 TNA convention medals as well as a commemorative issue to honor the 1986 Texas Sesquicentennial. The special issue was made of silver and featured the Alamo. He also designed two wooden nickels promoting National Coin Week. Both featured different versions of St. Eligius, the Patron Saint of Numismatists. His St. Eligius medals “have appeared in a total of six German books published in 1996, 1998, 2000, 2004, 2006 and 2009. These books were exclusively published for dedicated worldwide collectors of St. Eligius memorabilia.” Frank also modernized the TNA logo based on the original design.

Frank and Karla both have extensive collecting interests, including a wide variety of exonumia related items. For over 25 years, they exhibited their collections at TNA and ANA conventions as well as various local shows. In recent years, Frank has served as an exhibit judge and Karla has occasionally put on her “judging hat” to help out in a pinch.

Both Frank and Karla have received the TNA’s highest award, the Lewis M. Reagan Memorial Award and the Mac Kennedy Goodwill Ambassador Award, as well as the annual VIP award given to the member signing up the most new members. Frank has been named Outstanding District Governor, received the TNA Hall of Fame Award and received Best Club Newsletter award as editor of The Gatepost.

In recognition of the couples many years of service, the Gateway Coin Club has awarded to them Honorary Life Memberships. Frank has served as editor of the club’s newsletter since 1988 and currently serves as president. In 1984, both Frank and Karla received the prestigious title of Numismatic Ambassador by Chet Krause of Numismatic News.

Frank retired from federal service in 2001 and Karla retired from a teaching career in 2002 allowing them time to get involved in more organizations and areas of interest. They both enjoy history and genealogy and are active in several historical societies. The couple is involved in a variety of other service projects. The one that touched my heart most is their daily commitment to care for and feed three feral feline colonies that live on the San Antonio River. They have had all the cats spayed or neutered and continue working with the animals until they are tame enough to be placed in permanent homes.

In addition, they also tutor third grade students in an after school program sponsored by their church. Another project that allowed them to intertwine their interests together was the “St. Eligius, Patron Saint of Numismatists Project.” Frank developed the program to introduce and promote numismatics and to encourage youngsters to read, write, and research numismatic projects. He and Karla traveled to area schools to teach the class. They have received various commendations for their volunteer work with these organizations and others.

The Galindos are proud of their many years of volunteer service, and their love of numismatics and the TNA is as strong as ever. We thank them for their many years of devoted service to the organization.
Welcome New TNA Members…

Welcome to new TNA members R-7335 through R-7337. No objections were received and this applicant became an active member on September 1, 2013.

The following have applied for membership. If no written objections are received from the membership, they will become TNA members on November 1, 2013.

R-7338  Williams Ray Jones
R-7339  William E. Davis, Jr.
R-7340  Andres Cardona, Sr.
R-7341  Tino Burriola

The following have applied to convert regular membership to life membership:
LM-253  Edward Hein

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Patricia Mann, Kim Groves.

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Houston Money Show Offers Bus Charter Assistance Program

Houston, TX – The Money Show of the Southwest in Houston announced today a new program designed to financially assist Texas Numismatic Association member clubs to organize group trips to attend this large December show.

According to Claude Mathes, Chairman, the Show will reimburse any TNA member club up to $1,000.00 towards the charter of a bus to bring its members to and from the Show.

The program envisions a club chartering the bus and its members enjoying a full day at one of the largest regional shows in the country without the hassle of driving several hours and finding a place to park. Just sit on the bus and either read, plan your strategy for shopping the show, have a conversation with friends with similar interests, or sleep! Let the driver do all the work!

The Show will reimburse TNA member clubs $25.00 per member, up to a maximum of 40 members actually on each bus, toward the cost of the charter. There is a minimum of 25 members per bus.

As an example, if the day charter costs $900 and the club has 28 members on the bus, the show will reimburse the club $700.00, meaning that the club’s actual out of pocket cost for this excursion is $200.00, or approximately $7.15 per traveling member. If on the other hand, the number of riders is 35 ($875.00 at $25.00 rider) and the charter costs $750.00, the Money Show will reimburse the club only the $750.00 cost of the charter.

The Money Show of the Southwest will welcome each bus as it arrives and take a photo of the arriving group with an appropriate sign.

Member clubs geographically near one another may jointly sponsor a bus in order to reach the program’s minimum. One of those clubs must organize and arrange for the charter and it will receive the reimbursement.

The Money Show of the Southwest has it all: approximately 250 booths with 350+ dealers; grading companies accepting submittals (PCGS, NGC, ANACS & WINGS); a major Heritage numismatic auction; free appraisals; numismatic supplies; numismatic books and literature; displays of some of the rarest coins and paper currency; competitive and non-competitive exhibits; educational presentations; Scout merit badge clinics; and some of the best food to be found at any show!

“I can’t think of a better way to attend a large regional show,” said Mathes. “Just jump on the bus and, with the show subsidizing your ride, it’s the best deal in numismatics!”

The Money Show of the Southwest is open to the public from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 5th, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Friday December 6th, and 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday. While the bus program is offered on all three days, to get a full day at the show, Friday and Saturday are strongly suggested.

For more information on the program or for an application, please contact Carl Schwenker at 281-788-1036 or themoneyshow@att.net.

2013 ANA Worlds Fair of Money

GLENN SMEDLEY MEMORIAL AWARD WINNERS INCLUDE TNA PRESIDENT, DEBBIE WILLIAMS

The Glenn Smedley Memorial Award, was given to Daniel and Kathryn Freeland, Michael Fuljenz, Paul “Sonny” Henry, Sandra L. Hill, Debbie Williams and Wendell A. Wolka.

The Glenn Smedley Memorial Award was created in memory of Glenn B. Smedley, a collector’s collector, to recognize individuals who have devoted their efforts to the betterment of the ANA.

The nominee should be an individual involved in volunteer service to the ANA either on a local, regional or national level. A Nominee should exhibit a positive attitude, strong communication skills, cooperation and dependability.

OUTSTANDING REGIONAL CLUB PUBLICATION AWARD PRESENTED TO TNA NEWS

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The 90th Annual National Coin Week April 21 – 27, 2013 was celebrated with the theme “Buffalo Nickel Centennial: Black Diamond Shines Again.” Events and activities focused on the Buffalo/Indian Head nickel (1913-1938). Black Diamond was the name of the bison that likely served as the model for the coin’s iconic reverse.

The Lion Coin Club celebrated National Coin Week with the following:
1) Proclamation from the Mayor’s Office
2) Distribute 90th annual National Coin Week wooden nickels
3) Coin for A’s flyers
4) Numismatic exhibits on display for the month of April
5) Free pencils, bookmarks, mouse pads, buffalo nickels
6) Numismatic trivia games and lots of give-a-ways

Lion Coin Club created a two-case educational exhibit on display in the school cafeteria.

Some Lion Coin Club members received free 2014 Red Books

Lion Coin Club members received Westward Journey 2005 Buffalo Nickels

(All photos courtesy of Dr. Ross)

Buffalo Nickels 2013 NCVW Educational Exhibit

Members received 90th Annual National Coin Week wooden nickels

Dr. Ross with some coin club members in the school’s cafeteria under the LION mascot which reads … “WELCOME TO THE LION’S DEN”
The Articles of Confederation adopted in 1781 gave Congress the power to regulate coinage, not only produced nationally, but also coinage produced by each state. In practice, however, states never gave up coining their own pieces, thereby insuring that the early days of the republic had an unbelievably complex monetary system. Since each state set its own value for its currency, the exchange rate between the various currencies was not always equal – a price in New York shillings was not the same as a price in Georgia shillings. To complicate the situation further, most transactions took place using Spanish American silver dollar coins as the medium of exchange rather than paper currency in shillings and pounds. For daily commerce one needed to know the shilling exchange rate of a Spanish dollar for each of the states!

Robert Morris, Treasurer of the Confederation, tried to make sense of this morass. He submitted a plan to Congress based on a monetary unit called a mill, defined as 1/4 of a grain of silver. The proposal called for the minting of five denominations of coins, with values based on the decimal system: five unit and eight unit copper pieces; a 100 unit piece called a cent (sometimes referred to as a bit), a 500 unit piece called a quint and a 1,000 unit piece called a mark. Morris’ system could be used to convert foreign coins, including the Spanish American silver dollar, into units that would be comparable in the different states. According to Morris’s system, the Spanish American dollar was valued at 1,440 federal units (or mills). This would be the value of the coin throughout the nation.

The Continental Congress authorized a mint in 1782 (but never appropriated funds to actually build it). Nevertheless, Morris moved forward in producing patterns of the various proposed coinage. Sample coins were presented to Congress, but little action was taken. Today, only 7 of this original mintage are known to exist, and are exceedingly valuable.

All surviving examples of the Nova Constellatio patterns show a similar design. On the obverse is the Eye of Providence (representing God) with several short and thirteen long emanating rays; a star is positioned between each of the long rays to produce a circle of thirteen stars. Around the design is the legend NOVA CONSTELLATIO with a beaded outer border. The reverse displays an olive wreath containing the abbreviation US (for United States).

Thomas Jefferson objected strongly to this plan because it was based on the retention of the complex exchange system in place rather than practical necessities of commerce. He proposed a new system based on the dollar (equal to the Spanish American dollar) as his standard unit in a decimal system that was easy to use. The dollar would be divided into a tenth and a hundredth, both of which were close to currently circulating Spanish and English coins. Jefferson felt these to be easy ratios for multiplication and division and certainly more intuitive than the English system or Morris’ proposal, which required merchants to deal with transactions based on 1/1440th of a dollar. These objections essentially killed the Morris plan.

A series of coppers produced in Birmingham, England a few years later with designs based on these Morris’ patterns are highly collectible. Because of the number of surviving examples, these coins are relatively affordable.
Texas Numismatic Association

NEW TNA PROGRAMS BENEFIT MEMBERS & CLUBS

At the last TNA Board meeting held May 31, 2013, the Board approved three new programs that address five activities. These include:

COIN CLUB EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

ASSISTANCE IN PRODUCING A COIN SHOW

ASSISTANCE IN PROMOTING COIN COLLECTING

ASSISTANCE IN PROMOTING YOUNG NUMISMATIST ACTIVITIES

TNA GRANT PROGRAM FOR YOUR LIBRARY

TNA GRANT PROGRAM TO ATTEND ANA SUMMER SEMINAR

The Board appointed a Program Oversight Committee chaired by Jack Gilbert and including David Burke, Carla Galindo, Larry Herrera, and Jim Jeska. Since the adoption of these new programs and policies, this committee has worked to develop enabling procedures to govern the activities addressed in the individual programs. The programs and the enabling procedures are printed in this addition of the TNA News and are immediately effective.

TNA TO CONDUCT TWO DRAWINGS TO BENEFIT MEMBERS

The recently approved TNA programs include two such programs that benefit every member of the Association. There will be a drawing for five grants of $125 that will go to the selected Member to add to their numismatic library, and two grants to cover the tuition, room and board, and travel expenses to attend the ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs during the Summer of 2014.

MEMBERS MUST SUBMIT ENTRY FORMS TO BE IN THE DRAWINGS!

Please see the Programs and Procedures published in this edition of the TNA News for entry rules and forms. Both of these Programs and the enabling Procedures have dates that will be used in future years, but, due to the time involved in working out the Procedures, the two drawings (for this year only) will be subject to the following timeframes:

- Entries may be made immediately, but must be received by November 30th
- The drawing will be conducted during the TNA Board meeting on December 7th
- Winners will be promptly notified.

In subsequent years, the timeframes contained in the Programs and the enabling Procedures will be followed.

TNA adopted several new policies at the May 31, 2013 Board meeting creating new programs. This is a complete publication of these policies in their entirety.

POLICY FOR

COIN CLUB EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Adopted May 31, 2013

One of the goals of the Texas Numismatic Association (TNA) is to support the Hobby of Numismatics. The TNA may provide financial support to the Member Coin Clubs for various reasons, including educational activities, funding assistance for local coin shows, supporting youth activities, and promoting Numismatics.

The purpose of this Program statement is to develop the framework within which the TNA may assist member coin clubs to sponsor local coin shows; promote numismatic youth programs; and, create other educational activities the purpose of which is to promote the Hobby of Numismatics.

The programs enumerated below may be cancelled at any time, or for any reason, by the TNA Board. Section A below shall enumerate the Assistance Programs, Section B below shall assign responsibility for Program oversight.

A. – ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

1. - TNA FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PRODUCE A LOCAL CLUB COIN SHOW

To promote the Hobby of Numismatics, the TNA may provide financial assistance to local clubs to help fund local coin shows. Such advances of funds to the local club would be at the sole discretion of the TNA, and would be based on the review and assessment of a business plan prepared and submitted by the member club.

To be eligible, a club must:
1. have been a member in good standing of the TNA for at least three years prior to the date of the show; and,
2. not have hosted a coin show within one year of the proposed date of the show for which funds are being requested.

The club’s members must volunteer to produce, manage, and staff the coin show.

Eligible member clubs meeting these requirements may receive assistance from the TNA in the form of an advance of funds necessary for hosting the coin show including such things as:

- Rental for space;
- Rental of equipment;
- Advertising;
- Security;
- And, Other ancillary expense.

The local club would prepare, and forward to the TNA, a written proposal with a “business plan” estimating expense to be incurred to produce the show, would commit to voluntary unpaid club membership involvement, and would assign club members the responsibility for key coin show management activities.
Upon receipt of the written plan, the Oversight Committee (as defined in Section B) would review the plan, and at its sole discretion determine the feasibility of the plan. If the Committee determined that there is a high likelihood that the funds would be reimbursed by the show proceeds, the TNA would advance necessary funds to the local club to produce the show.

Local clubs would be responsible for filling all show manpower needs, hosting the show, and maintaining clear and accurate financial records which must be presented to the TNA upon request along with a final summary of the coin show’s revenues, expenses, and overall net income.

The total revenue generated by the show, including dealer rental fees and admission income would be paid to the TNA until the amount of the funds advance is paid in full. All other funds will be retained by the club sponsoring the show.

It is the underlying assumption of the program will be budget neutral, in that all fund advanced will be reimbursed so that the TNA may perpetuate this program. It is, however, recognized that coin shows do not always generate funds necessary to cover all expenses and that an exposure that the TNA Board is willing to take in order to promote and support local coin clubs and the numismatic hobby. The Board may revoke this program at any time.

II. – TNA FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO FUND YOUNG NUMISMATIST (YN) ACTIVITIES

To promote the Hobby of Numismatics TNA may provide financial assistance to local clubs to promote YN Educational Programs and Activities.

To be eligible, a club must have been a member in good standing of the TNA for at least three years prior to the date of the Financial Request.

Eligible member clubs must be willing to plan, organize, host, and produce an event that will promote Young Numismatist activities (Youth Night, YN collecting, Boy Scout or Girl Scout Numismatic Badge, etc).

Upon receipt of a club’s written request for financial assistance and written plan describing the activity and the use of the proposed financial assistance, the Oversight Committee (as defined in Section B) would review the plan, and at its sole discretion determine the feasibility of the plan. If the Committee determined that the plan meets the goals of the Program, the TNA would provide funds to the club up to $250 per club per year.

III. – TNA FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PROMOTE THE HOBBY OF NUMISMATICS

The TNA may provide financial assistance to local clubs to promote the Hobby of Numismatics through educational or other activities, events, educational displays, etc. To be eligible, a club must have been a member in good standing of the TNA for at least three years prior to the date of the Financial Request. Eligible member clubs must be willing to plan, organize, host, and/or produce an event, activity, or program that will promote the hobby of numismatics. This could include (but is not limited to) creation of displays at public libraries or local banks, promotion of a membership drive for the club, or any other activity that promotes the hobby of numismatics.

The TNA reserves the right to modify or cancel this Grant Program at any time at their discretion.

The TNA may not be converted to any type of cash award.

A Grant recipient is not eligible for this Grant until two years has passed from the receipt of the Grant.

Receipts and documentation for the purchase of the books will be required with reimbursement to be promptly made.

Electronic type books are eligible.

This program is to be administered by an individual or committee appointed by the TNA Board.

The administrators of this program are authorized to incur reasonable expense in line with the TNA Expense Policy.

The TNA reserves the right to modify or cancel this Grant Program at any time at their discretion.
NEW TNA PROGRAMS BENEFIT MEMBERS & CLUBS

POLICY FOR
TNA GRANT PROGRAM TO ATTEND ANA SUMMER SEMINAR
ADOPTED MAY 31, 2013

The TNA will award 2 Educational Grants to the ANA Summer Seminar starting in 2014.

Interested individuals should submit their name and full contact information to the TNA Secretary or another person designated by the TNA Board or their designee between August 1st and November 1st of each year.

The recipients will be chosen by a random drawing conducted by a disinterested individual held on November 15th of each year.

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

Recipients must meet all ANA qualifications for attendance at their seminars. The TNA will pay the cost of ANA membership if necessary. There is a minimum age limitation.

The Grant includes tuition (including night classes), fees, room, meals and transportation. Transportation and travel expense will be paid in line with the TNA Expense Policy.

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

The Grant may not be converted to any type of cash award. A Grant recipient is not eligible for this Grant until two years has passed from the receipt of the Grant.

The TNA reserves the right to pay certain expenses directly to the ANA or other providers. Other Receipts and documentation of other expenses will be required as needed.

This program is to be administered by an individual or committee appointed by the TNA Board.

The administrators of this program are authorized to incur reasonable expense in line with the TNA Expense Policy.

The TNA reserves the right to modify or cancel this Grant Program at any time at their discretion.

THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WERE CREATED TO ENABLE THE NEW POLICIES CREATED BY THE BOARD.

THEY INCLUDE THE SPECIFIC PROCEDURES THAT A CLUB OR A MEMBER MUST FOLLOW IN ORDER TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE NEW POLICIES.

PROCEDURES FOR ADMINISTERING
TNA FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PRODUCE A LOCAL CLUB COIN SHOW

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2. not have hosted a coin show within one year of the proposed date of the show for which funds are being requested, and,
3. must provide unpaid volunteer Club members to produce, manage, and staff the coin show.

Eligible member clubs meeting these requirements may receive assistance from the TNA in the form of an advance of funds necessary for hosting the coin show including such things as: Rental for space; Rental of equipment; Advertising; Security; and, Other ancillary expense.

The local club must prepare, and forward to the TNA, a written proposal with a “business plan”. The business plan must include estimates of expenses, including space and equipment costs, advertising, security, and any other expenses. The plan must also provide projected table rental fees, estimates of number of tables to be rented, attendance entry fees, and any other income estimates. Included in the plan must be a named contact (Bourse Chairman) for the club hosting the coin show; a named volunteer member to maintain the books detailing and documenting the expenses and income from the show; and, commitments from club members to volunteer to help set up and tear down the show space, collect the entry fees, prepare and collect table rental fees from dealers, maintain the books of the show, and provide any other support needed.

Upon receipt of the business plan, the Program Oversight Committee will review the estimates of income and expense to determine whether estimates are feasible, determine whether the show has a reasonable likelihood of success, and determine that the TNA has the necessary funds to provide assistance. Should these factors be successfully addressed, the Club will be notified that funds will be made available as needed to assist in funding the Club’s show.

This assistance program in no way precludes the Club from using its own funds to support the hosting of the Show.

At the conclusion of the Show, the Club is responsible for providing an accounting of actual expenses and income generated by the Show. All Show proceeds (from all sources including table rental, equipment rental, early bird fee, entry fee, etc) shall be paid to the TNA up to the amount that the TNA provided. All other funds shall be retained by the Host Club.

Business plans must be submitted to:
Jack E. Gilbert
1093 Sunset Ct
Keller, Texas 76248
gilbej@yahoo.com

The programs enumerated herein may be cancelled at any time, or for any reason, by the TNA Board.
The TNA may provide financial assistance to local clubs to promote the Hobby of Numismatics through educational or other activities, events, educational displays, etc. Such advances of funds to the local club would be at the sole discretion of the TNA, and would be based on the review and assessment of a written plan prepared and submitted by the member club.

To be eligible, a Club must have been a member in good standing of the TNA for at least three years.

Eligible member clubs must be willing to plan, organize, host, and/or produce an event, activity, or program that will promote the Hobby of Numismatics. This could include (but is not limited to) creation of numismatic displays at public libraries or local banks, promotion of a membership drive for the club, or any other activity that promotes the hobby of numismatics.

Upon receipt of a club’s written request for financial assistance and written plan describing the activity and the use of the proposed financial assistance, the Program Oversight Committee would review the plan, and at its sole discretion determine the feasibility of the plan. If the Committee determines that the plan meets the goals of the Program, the TNA will provide a Grant to the Club up to $250 per club per year. This assistance program in no way precludes the Club from using its own funds to promote this activity.

After the event, the Club would be responsible for documenting the use of the funds by providing receipts to the TNA. Any funds not use for the event shall be returned to the TNA.

Written plans must be submitted to:

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PROCEDURES FOR ADMINISTERING
TNA GRANT PROGRAM FOR YOUR LIBRARY

The TNA will award 5 Educational Grants to its members for the purpose of purchasing Numismatic Related Books for their library starting in 2013. The Grant will be in the amount of $125.00 each.

To be eligible the person must be a member in good standing during the year of the drawing and the two years prior to the year of the drawing. Chapter/Club members are not eligible. A prior Grant recipient is not eligible for this Grant until two years has passed from the receipt of the prior Grant.

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Contact information must indicate that the entry is for the Library drawing and include:

Name _____________________________________________
Address ____________________________________________
City, State Zip ________________________________________
Telephone Number ______________________________________
(you may complete the above contact info and use this section as an entry form)

All entries must be received between July 1st and October 1st.

Each email entry shall be printed and maintained with the entries received by mail. A numbered lottery ticket will be assigned (and stapled) to the paper entry form and the other half deposited in a container.

On October 15th, a random drawing shall select 5 tickets. Each winning entrant’s eligibility will be validated by comparing the entrant’s name with the official TNA membership records maintained by the Secretary of the TNA. If a winner is not validated by the Secretary, another ticket shall be drawn until there are 5 validated winners. Winners shall be promptly notified.

Original Receipts and documentation for the purchase of the books (including electronic books) will be required with reimbursement to be promptly made. The Grant may not be used to renew memberships or subscribe to periodicals (Coin World, The Numismatist, Coin Prices, etc). The Grant must be used, and receipts received by, March 1st of the next calendar year.

The TNA reserves the right to modify or cancel this Grant Program at any time at their discretion.

PROCEDURES FOR ADMINISTERING
TNA GRANT PROGRAM TO ATTEND ANA SUMMER SEMINAR

The TNA will award 2 Educational Grants to the ANA Summer Seminar. To be eligible the person must be a member in good standing during the year of the drawing and the two years prior to the year of the drawing. Chapter/Club members are not eligible. TNA membership must be maintained for the year of the seminar. A prior Grant recipient is not eligible for this Grant until two years has passed from the receipt of the prior Grant.

Those who are interested in the Grant may enter the drawing by mailing (please use 8 ½ by 11 paper) or emailing their contact information to:

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Contact information must indicate that the entry is for the Seminar drawing and include:

Name _____________________________________________
Address ____________________________________________
City, State Zip ________________________________________
Telephone Number ______________________________________
(you may complete the above contact info and use this section as an entry form)

All entries must be received by between August 1st and November 1st.

Each email entry shall be printed and maintained with the entries received by mail. A numbered lottery ticket will be assigned (and stapled) to the paper entry form and the other half deposited in a container.

On November 15th, a random drawing shall select 2 tickets. Each winning entrant will be validated by comparing the entrant’s name with the official TNA membership records maintained by the Secretary of the TNA. If a winner is not validated by the Secretary, another ticket shall be drawn until there are 2 validated winners. Winners shall be promptly notified.

As stated in the Board approved Program, recipients must meet all ANA qualifications for attendance at their seminars. There may be a minimum age limitation set by the ANA for YN attendees. The TNA will pay the cost of ANA membership for the current year, if necessary. The Grant will cover On-Campus Fees including Tuition, Lodging, and Meals for a one week session (including evening Mini-Seminars) at the ANA seminar (which may be paid directly to the ANA by the TNA for the attendee). Transportation and travel expense (coach airfare, personally owned vehicle, lodging while in transit, etc) will be paid in compliance with the TNA Expense Policy. Winners shall make reasonable efforts to obtain inexpensive air fare. Each winner shall be responsible for completing the appropriate enrollment forms with the ANA and maintaining all receipts for reimbursement. All original receipts must be provided to the TNA for reimbursement.

The Grant award may not be transferred to anyone else and must be used at the next ANA Seminar.
THE HISTORY OF THE TNA MEDALS

by Frank Galindo, TNA Medals Officer

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

In 1968 two major events occurred in San Antonio. The first was the opening of Hemisfair ’68, to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the founding of San Antonio and the second was that TNA chose San Antonio as the site of its tenth convention.

Two medals were struck by the local clubs in San Antonio to commemorate this event. Although the medals’ reverse reads “T.N.A. TENTH CONVENTION SAN ANTONIO” these medals were not issued by TNA, thus TNA does not recognize them as part of their official medal issues.

The obverse of one 1968 medal features buildings that form the skyline of San Antonio with the Tower of the Americas in the background. This medal commemorates San Antonio’s 250th Anniversary.

The other 1968 medal depicts the home of Jose Antonio de la Garza. His house also served as an official mint after he was granted permission to strike 8,000 coins by Antonio Martinez, governor and military commander of the Province of Texas. At this time San Antonio was known as San Fernando de Béjar which was the capital of Texas, and a Province of New Spain.

TNA MEDALS

In 1969 TNA issued its first convention medal sets that contained one silver and one bronze medal. It was a limited edition of 100 sets and 1000 bronze medals. The medal sets were numbered and issued with a certificate of authenticity.

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

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

Frank Galindo was appointed Medals Officer in 1987, twenty-six years ago, and is still serving in that position. His wife, Karla, serves as the Assistant-Medals Officer. Beginning in 1980, he has designed thirty-two medals for TNA and completed the artwork for two other medals.

The following is a brief description of each medal beginning with the first medal that was issued in 1969 to the present.

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

Each TNA Medal Set contains one .999 fine silver medal and one antique bronze medal. Beginning in 1995, aluminum medals were struck to give to those who attended the TNA conventions.

The 1969 medal design is from the famous statue of Will Rogers and his favorite horse. The design shows a slouched Will Rogers astride his beloved horse Soapsuds. The statue, a gift to the city of Fort Worth, is titled “Riding Into the Sunset.” (1969 = 100 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1970 medal features the Battleship Texas and the San Jacinto Monument. The Battleship Texas was launched in 1914 and served in both World Wars. The San Jacinto monument is shown in the foreground. (1970 = 150 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1971 medal features the Lighthouse formation in Palo Duro Canyon and a bison in the foreground. The Lighthouse, a 270 foot sandstone formation, is said to have been named by the Spanish explorer Coronado when he traveled through the canyon in 1541. (1971 = 200 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1972 medal depicts the Confederate States of America 1861 Half Dollar. Records indicate that only four originals of this half-dollar were struck on a hand press. (1972 = 175 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1973 medal shows wild mustangs. The Mustang horses were the escaped descendants of horses brought to America by the Spaniards. (1973 = 175 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1974 medal features the Capitol of the Republic of Texas. The First Congress of the Republic of Texas met at West Columbia in October 1836. The two houses met in joint session to select a seat of government. On the fourth ballot Houston was chosen as the site of the new Capitol building. (1974 = 175 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1975 medal depicts the John Neely Bryan Cabin. This cabin was built in 1841 and was the first home built in Dallas. This cabin served as the first, and only, Post Office in Dallas under the Republic of Texas 1843-1846. It also served as the first Courthouse of Dallas County. (1975 = 175 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1976 medal features an Amanillo native wild turkey in flight. This medal honors the 200th anniversary of the United States, The American Bicentennial. (1976 = 200 sets / 1,000 bronze)

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The 1977 medal features a bucking bull with a rider. (1977 = 200 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1978 medal depicts Thanksgiving Square in Dallas. Thanksgiving Square was dedicated and opened to the public in May 1977. (1978 = 200 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1979 medal honors the Flint Quarries and Texas Panhandle Pueblo Culture National Monument. It shows an Ice Age Man who used the colored flint that was so bountiful in the area. (1979 = 200 sets / 1,000 bronze)

In 1980, Sam Houston was chosen as the theme for the medal. In 1836 Sam Houston was elected the First President of the Republic of Texas. He also served in the U.S. Senate in 1845 and later became governor of Texas. (1980 = 200 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1981 medal shows The Spirit of Flight Memorial, symbolic of “Man’s victory over flight,” located near the entrance of Dallas Love Field Municipal Airport Administration building. (1981 = 200 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1982 medal features the Fort Worth Livestock Exchange building. The building was erected in 1902 by the Ft. Worth Stockyards Co. (1982 = 200 / 1,000 bronze)

The 1983 medal shows as the principle design the Harbor Bridge in Corpus Christi. The bridge was christened “The Harbor Bridge” on October 23, 1959. (1983 = 200 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1984 medal depicts a cowboy on a horse, an oil rig, a windmill, and the Amarillo skyline. (1984 = 176 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1985 medal features a vintage horse drawn street car that transported the passengers between Mexico and Texas. The theme “Hands Across the Border” is depicted as two hands in a friendly handshake. (1985 = 176 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1986 medal honors the Texas Sesquicentennial and shows the official emblem used by the Texas Independence Association. (1986 = 176 sets plus 24 unnumbered sets / 1000 bronze)

In 1986 an extra medal to honor the Texas Sesquicentennial was also issued. This medal features the Alamo. It was a special issue medal and not part of the medal set. This is the only year that TNA issued two medals. (1986 = Silver Alamo Medal 250 / 1,000 bronze)

The 1987 medal features the San Antonio River and the Rosita Bridge against a backdrop of the city’s skyline. (1987 = 176 sets plus 24 unnumbered / 1,000 bronze)

The 1988 medal features the Space Shuttle. The medal depicts the space shuttle in flight. (1988 = 176 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1989 medal celebrates Texas Heritage. To symbolize the ethnic heritage of Texas, the medal features three groups most responsible for its settlements. It shows a Native American, a Spaniard, and a Texas cowboy. (1989 = 150 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1990 medal commemorates TNA’s 30th Anniversary and also features the new Western Currency Facility for the U.S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Fort Worth. (1990 = 150 sets / 1000 bronze)

The 1991 medal depicts “Texas Patriots.” From the Republic of Texas, the medal features President Sam Houston and Vice-President Lorenzo de Zavala, as well as the San Jacinto Monument. (1991 = 140 sets / 1,000 bronze)

The 1992 medal marked the 500th anniversary of the discovery of the Americas. The medal features Christopher Columbus with his flagship the Santa Maria in the background. (1992 = 120 sets / 700 bronze)

The 1993 medal depicts the Numismatic Company of Texas building as it looked in the 1930s when it was owned by the famous coin dealer, B. Max Mehl of Fort Worth. (1993 = 117 sets / 600 bronze)

The 1994 medal honors Stephen F. Austin, the most important person in colonizing Texas. The capital of Texas was named in his honor, and today he is remembered as the “Father of Texas.” (1994 = 106 sets / 500 bronze)

The 1995 medal commemorates the Texas Statehood Sesquicentennial, 1845-1995. It features a Texas legend, the longhorn, once the only cattle to roam Texas. The longhorn evolved from two of three types of cattle that the Spaniards brought to the New World. (1995 = 102 sets / 500 bronze)

The 1996 medal depicts Eligius, the Patron Saint of Numismatists, under the watchful eye of a cat as he diligently strikes coins. His mint master’s mark, an anchor-cross, is found on coinage struck during his tenure as mintmaster at the Paris mint. (1996 = 102 sets / 600 bronze)

The 1997 medal features two great Texas legends: James Bowie and Juan Seguin. Col. Bowie and Lt. Colonel Seguin served in the Texas army and fought gallantly and bravely for Texas independence. (1997 = 100 sets / 600 bronze)

The 1998 medal features a Buffalo Soldier. These proud soldiers of the 9th and 10th Cavalry served Texas from 1867 to 1885. The Buffalo Soldiers played a vital role in the history of our great state, as well as throughout the Southwest. (1998 = 100 sets plus 25 unnumbered / 600 bronze)

The 1999 medal features Davy Crockett, congressman, colonel and defender of the Alamo. In early February 1836, Crockett arrived in San Antonio de Bexar and joined Col. William B. Travis at the Alamo. It was there that he died in 1836 at the age of 50 during the siege of the Alamo. (1999 = 100 sets / 600 bronze)

The 2000 medal depicts Quanah Parker, son of Comanche Chief Peta Nocona and Cynthia Ann Parker. He emerged as a daring and respected leader of his people. He participated in raids in Texas and Mexico. Quanah finally surrendered in June 1875. He died on February 23, 1911. Today he is remembered as The Last Comanche Chief in Texas. (2000 = 100 sets / 600 bronze)

The 2001 medal features William B. Travis, the last commander of the Alamo. In 1831 Travis moved to Texas and became a leader for Texas independence. In 1835 Travis accepted a commission as Lt. Colonel of the cavalry...
and was soon ordered to reinforce the Alamo. He arrived at the Alamo on Feb. 3, 1836, with about 30 men. Travis died defending the Alamo on March 6, 1836. (2001 = 93 sets/600 bronze)

The 2002 medal features Jose Antonio Navarro, Texas Patriot and Statesman who played an important role in the early colonization and independence of Texas. He was one of the signers of the Texas Declaration of independence and served on the committees that wrote the Texas Constitution s of 1836 and 1845. Navarro County was named in his honor and the county seat, Corsicana, was named for his father’s birthplace, the island of Corsica. (2002 = 93 sets/600 bronze)

The 2003 medal features Anson Jones, the last President of the Republic of Texas He was recognized as the “Architect of Annexation” and presided over the annexation ceremonies in 1846 when Texas became the thirty-fifth state in the Union. As were many of the leaders in early Texas, Anson Jones was a Mason and served as the first Grand Master of Masons in Texas. Anson, Texas and Jones County were named in his honor. (2003 = 93 sets/600 bronze)

The 2004 medal features Erastus “Deaf” Smith, chief scout at the Battle of San Jacinto, where General Sam Houston ordered Smith to destroy Vince’s Bridge, which made it difficult for Santa Anna to receive reinforcements, as well as to retreat and regroup. The Republic of Texas five-dollar note features a bust of Smith and Deaf Smith County was named in his honor. (2004 = 93 sets/550 bronze)

The 2005 medal features Col. James Fannin, Commander at Goliad, and Francisca Alvarez, the “Angel of Goliad.” Fannin and 350 of his men were executed at Goliad, as ordered by General Santa Anna. Señora Francisca Alvarez was the wife of a captain in the Mexican army. She is known as the “Angel of Goliad” because her intervention saved the lives of more than twenty-five of Fannin’s men. She holds the distinction of the only person on the Mexican side of the struggle for Texas independence to be honored by the Texas House and Senate. (2005 = 93 sets/550 bronze)

The 2006 medal features James Butler Bonham, Alamo courier and defender of the Alamo. Col. Travis sent Bonham twice to seek help for the Alamo, and both times he made the choice to return and died there. The city of Bonham, Texas was named in his honor. (2006 = 93 sets/550 bronze)

The 2007 medal features Col. Benjamin Milam, adventurer, soldier, scout, trader, and impresario. Milam has been called one of Texas’ bravest patriots. It was at the Siege of Bexar where he lost his life on December 7, 1835. Milam County was named in his honor. (2007 = 93 sets/550 bronze)

The 2008 medal features Mirabeau B. Lamar, who is honored as the “Father of Texas Education.” He served as the second President of the Republic of Texas. He is recognized for introducing the proposal that Texas establish a system of education endowed by public lands, support for the Texas Navy, enactment of the Homestead Act of 1839, and moving the state capital to Austin. It was during his term that the Lone Star Flag and State Seal were officially adopted. Lamar County and the town of Lamar in Arkansas County were named in his honor, as well as Lamar University in Beaumont. (2008 = 93 sets/506 bronze)

The 2009 medal features Samuel May Williams, patriot, merchant, postmaster, naval agent and banker. Williams was responsible for securing the money for some of the ships in the first Texas navy (1836). The Texas navy was very important to the success of the Texas revolution by keeping the crucial supply lines open to New Orleans and points eastward. He again used his wealth, influence and connections to negotiate a contract to build several new ships for the second Texas navy (1838). For his tremendous efforts, he is called the “Father of the Texas Navy.” Samuel May Williams served as the third Grand Master of Masons in Texas. (2009 = 100 sets/510 bronze)

The 2010 medal, commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the Texas Numismatic Association, features the distinctive flags of the six nations that flew over Texas. To incorporate numismatics into the design, the center shows the ornate number fifty, which is the exact design of the elaborate number that appears on the Republic of Texas fifty-dollar note.

Under the principal device is a single star which represents Texas, The Lone Star State. (2010 = 100 sets/500 bronze)

The 2011 medal features Edward Burleson, Vice President of the Republic of Texas. He served as the general of the volunteer army and a representative in the Second Congress. He served on various committees, including Military Affairs, Post Offices, and Indian Affairs. (2011 = 100 sets/500 bronze)

The 2012 medal features General Bernardo de Galvez, along with a Texas Longhorn and the Spanish Burgundy Flag.

Long before the cattle drives of early Texas that were recorded in the 1800s, there was a Texas Longhorn cattle drive and a Spanish General that had a major impact in the American Revolution when Texas was part of New Spain. Bernardo de Galvez was one of the most influential leaders aiding the American colonists in their struggle for independence. Galvez’s victories against the British at Manchac, Baton Rouge, Natchez, and Pensacola were monumental. The help that he gave to George Washington and the colonists helped to establish the United States of America. (2012 = 100 sets/500 bronze)

The 2013 medal features Lt. Richard “Dick” Dowling, a Confederate officer and Civil War hero, businessman, and civic leader, and commemorates the 150th anniversary of the victory of the Battle of Sabine Pass. As commander of the Jefferson Davis Guards assigned to Ft. Griffin on the Sabine River, he and forty-four men kept a Union Navy armada from invading Texas on September 8, 1863. The Davis Guards fired with deadly accuracy and disabled two gunboats and a third was severely damaged. The other ships quickly retreated and led to the capture of 350 Union soldiers, as well as a large quantity of much needed supplies. The Battle of Sabine Pass was over in forty-five minutes. (2013 = 100 sets/500 bronze)
1) What is this silver “coin”? Is it a Pedley-Ryan So-called Dollar?

2) What year was the traditional bronze alloy (95% copper, 5% tin and zinc) introduced to cents made for circulation by the U.S. Mint? Except for a wartime excursion, this alloy lasted for over a century.

3) The 1873 Coinage Act was called by some the “Crime of ’73”. Why did they feel this way?

4) Which local coin club in Texas has the earliest date of establishment and the longest unbroken string of regular meetings?

5) Mexico’s illustrious numismatic heritage begins long before the establishment of any mint in what would become the United States. When did coin production begin at Mexico City?

6) What did Adam Eckfeldt do at the first U.S. Mint?

1) This indeed is a Pedley-Ryan “dollar”. The Pedley-Ryans from Denver (1933-35) are another attempt to provide a boost to the silver mining and processing industry in Colorado by “creating” some demand for silver. They were also touted as a convenient way for small investors to acquire a stake. The usual investment contracts then were usually 1000 ounces or more, but a single P-R is about one ounce. The Pedley-Ryans come in about 7 different varieties. All are on smooth silver discs the size of a silver dollar. There isn’t any fancy die work; mainly just simple letters. There is a “story” that a secretary sat in the storefront window on 16th Street and hammered them out. No fancy press was needed or used.

2) The traditional bronze one cent piece appeared in 1864. It was an Indian Cent, replacing the copper-nickel Indian Cents of 1859-1864. The alloy was unchanged through mid-1982 with the exception of the 1943 zinc-coated steel cent.

3) The Coinage Act of 1873 brought the end of the standard silver dollar (412.5 grains) and was a move toward a gold standard for the U.S. The “Crime” was the partial demonetization of silver. The standard silver dollar was not restored until the Bland-Allison Act of 1878 mandated production of Morgan Dollars.

4) The oldest continuously-operating coin club in Texas is the Dallas Coin Club. The DCC was organized in 1928 and recently had their 1021st monthly meeting. Some of the state’s most prominent numismatists, including B. Max Mehl, have been members. They currently meet the same night as GHCC.

5) The mint at Mexico City got its start as the first Spanish Colonial mint in 1535, striking silver coinage as to facilitate orderly movement of New World silver to the Spanish Crown. The “early series” Carlos and Johanna pieces are distinguished from later ones by the absence of “waves” between the pillars. This is a two reales piece.

6) Adam Eckfeldt was important to the first U.S. Mint first as a workman present at the striking of the first half dismes in 1792, then as a mechanic, die maker, coiner, Chief Coiner for 25 years, and loyal employee until his retirement in 1839. His offspring and extended family continued to serve the Mint until 1929. He also was instrumental in starting the Mint Cabinet of special coins (which became the National Coin Collection at the Smithsonian in 1929).

7) This is an important early American medal issued to honor France’s contribution in helping the young republic in the struggle against the British. The Libertas Americana medal was the project of Benjamin Franklin during his time in Paris. He suggested the motifs to Dupre, the foremost engraver of the time and saw to their issue by the Paris mint in 1783.
7) What does this medal have to do with U.S. numismatics? Hint: 1783.
8) What was the first use of the motto “We Are One” on an American coin?
9) Which artist Fraser contributed more to American coinage? James or Laura?

Responses

They were the personal property of Mr. Franklin, and he handed them out to his friends in America and France. The iconography shows Minerva (France) protecting the infant (America) from the British (lion). The dates in the exergue are the dates of the decisive battles at Saratoga and Yorktown. The obverse of this medal had an important influence on the 1793 half cents with its Liberty profile and Liberty Cap.

8) The “We Are One” motto appeared on the Continental Currency dollar-sized pieces of 1776. These pieces come in pewter, silver, and a copper-based alloy. Intended denomination remains uncertain. A similar design was used in 1787 on the Fugio coppers. The Latin “E Pluribus Unum” expresses the same idea and has been used on a larger number of issues than the English version.

9) James E. Fraser is perhaps best known today in numismatic circles for his circulating “Buffalo” nickel of 1913-1938. His wife Laura did not succeed in having a design selected for circulating coinage. There was one collaboration: the Oregon Trail commemorative half dollar (some say this is the best design of any of the 46 types of classic commemorative half dollars). Laura did do the 1921 Alabama Centennial commemorative half dollar. Both Frasers worked on commissioned medals, with James’ forte being children’s portraits. James was a sculptor, too, and his most famous work is “The End of the Trail”.

10) The U.S. departed from the 1864-1942 alloy of 95% copper and 5% tin and zinc in 1943 for the one year of zinc coated steel cents. The 1944 to mid-1946 cents were made primarily from recycled shell casings. When uncirculated, these have a bit lighter color than traditional-alloy cents.

10) World War II led to a temporary compositional change in the circulating once cent piece. What was it?
11) What relationship is there between Dave Bowers and the current Stacks-Bowers coin firm in New York?
12) Mexico’s illustrious numismatic history begins long before the establishment of the first U.S. mint in 1792. But when did the Mexican 8 Reales piece become a Peso?
13) Who was Gilroy Roberts in American numismatics in the mid-20th century?

11) Q. David Bowers got his start in the coin business in the 1950’s and was in early partnership with James Ruddy in Johnson City, New York. For some years in the 1970’s he was based in Southern California in partnership with Hathaway. He returned in the 1980’s to New Hampshire in partnership with Ray Merena. For a time, he was out of the coin business (concentrating on writing books) while others used the name Bowers & Merena. It was only a few years ago that the Stack family in New York City retired (for a time) and Stack’s-Bowers Galleries was formed with Q. David as Chairman (now Chairman Emeritus).

12) According to the standard reference in the field, “Resplandores” by Dunigan and Parker, the Cap and Rays 8 Reales was coined 1823-1897. The Peso pieces (on the same weight and fineness standard) began in 1898. The “Horse Pesos” of 1910-1914 had an entirely different design, but used the time-honored weight and fineness.

13) Gilroy Roberts was Chief Engraver at the U.S. Mint 1948-1964. His monogram appears prominently on the Kennedy Half Dollar. He later had prolific output while employed by Medallic Art Company where he executed dozens of medals.
Your editor approaches this month’s article with mixed feelings. Part of me is delighted at the thrill of being able to pass on a great story about a neat coin, but the other part of me has tail between the legs and only reluctantly admits that somehow the existence of this piece had so long remained unknown to me. It goes to show that there is always something new to be learned in numismatics, even involving a series which one has pursued for more than ten years. How could I have remained in the dark about this until a dealer at ANA Rosemont/Chicago this month called my attention to it? At least two other members of GHCC were able to inform me chapter and verse on it without looking anything up!

The dealer, who knows me mainly as a U.S. Type Set collector (and did not previously know that I’m trying to form a representative set of Cap and Ray 8 Reales of Mexico), called my attention to the piece shown below and said “John, I want to show you a coin, a token, a Mexican piece, a U.S. piece, and a Chinese piece all rolled into one”. I have to admit that my first fleeting thought was that he was about to pull out some Pillar Dollar that was a recent Chinese fake.

But, no, it was/is a legitimate coin with a great story. We have here one of the surviving remnants of an issue of 10 million or more silver pieces struck in Mexico City and at least one U.S. mint (sources differ, but San Francisco is on all lists). They were made in 1949 using dies styled after the Mexico City dies of 1898, including the original 1898 date. They are not technically restrikes since true restrikes must be made from original dies, and these are from copy dies made with designs very similar to the originals.

They were made for a classic purpose: to pay troops using a coin of high intrinsic value and with which the troops would be familiar. The Mexican 8R (Peso) had been in use for over a century and very popular in the Far East as a trade coin. The troops targeted for payment were those of Chiang Kai-Shek whose Nationalist army was being routed by the Communists. In fact, the military effort was going badly and the Nationalists were about to have to retreat to the island of Formosa. The extra mints were brought into the picture in an effort to accomplish the coinage quickly and get it shipped to China. Alas, the coins arrived too late. Some say the entire mintage from San Francisco was melted and that the only survivors today (which tend to be in high grade) are from the Mexico City mint. The San Francisco pieces do not have an “S” mintmark; they bore the same Mo mark as the coin shown below.

In fact, it is that mintmark which helps us distinguish the 1898 Pesos from this 1949 “restrike”. On the 1949 version, the “o” of the “Mo” extends above the “M”; on the 1898 coin, the top of the “o” is even with the top of the “M”. There are also differences in the beads or denticles count between the two issues. The reverse of the 1898 original has 137, 138, or 139 denticles, while the 1949 coin has 131. Purity and gross weight seem to be virtually the same on the two issues. The style of the eagle looks somewhat more modern to me on the 1949 version, but this is subjective.

It was natural for the U.S. mint to cooperate on this venture. The U.S. mint and its branches had just come from a busy period in which coins were struck for an amazing array of foreign powers. Some say that our history of working with Mexico goes back to at least 1914. Surely the political and ideological arguments to support the Nationalist Chinese were also in place. These pieces were made at the request of the United States.

This piece even is listed in Krause’s World Coin book: KM 409.2. Prices listed there are somewhat out of date. Recent auction records from Stacks-Bowers and Heritage are up to $429. There are eBay concluded sales at $150-250. This seems like a modest price to pay for such an attractive “story coin”, and it forms a wonderful “go-with” for a Cap and Rays set.

Your editor welcomes the opportunity to learn. It is especially nice when the schooling comes from a GHCC member. We are blessed to have such a splendid inventory of skills and experience within the club. The spirit of sharing is alive; it is one of the strengths of our club.
GOLD COINS THE POPULACE SOLIDLY REJECTED

by Tommy Sawyer

It has always been a difficult task to say good-by to someone or something we cherished. Examples being those we loved and items we happily indulged ourselves with many years of our lives. Such things as 5 cent cigar, the nickel soda, the hula hoop, the penny bubble gum and double dip cream cone. The above items have said good-by to our world for newer and more usable resources. The very same is true with our coinage—the case being, if the public rejects it, it is placed on the back burner forever.

So, let’s review a case or two concerning gold coins that didn’t gain any popularity or lighten our “numismatic skies”. Have my readers ever heard of the three dollar gold piece? Usually, when the word gold is mentioned astute listeners do just that. They follow the New York and London gold stock exchanges on a daily basis to learn of the progress or decline of the metal. Thus, the investors, the man on the street, numismatists, and speculators can recite to each other the metal’s values of the day.

This is the way it is today—not in times not so long ago. And, as you read along with me, keep in mind the American public sets the tone of acceptance or rejection of our coinage. This brings us to 2 gold coins minted in American public sets the tone of acceptance or rejection ago. And, as you read along with me, keep in mind the way it is today—not in times not so long ago.

If I were to describe the three dollar gold piece, I would inform my readers that it tipped the scales at 77.4 grains, .900 fine. Its obverse depicts the head of an Indian princess with hair tightly curling around her neck. She has a circle of feathers with the word LIBERTY inscribed within the band. Its reverse has the numeral 3 in the center of the coin with the word Dollars . Crops such as wheat, cotton, tobacco and corn are bound together in its wreath. Even with all this beauty and its unique features, it wasn’t enough to save the coin from the populace’s dislike for it. The Government began putting its hands up to its ears and saw the demise for the coin quickly approaching. The chopping block was near. It was reported that King Farouk of Egypt had one in his private collection in the 1950’s, along with other extremely rare domestic coinage not only from America but around the world. Rare coinage has been a favorite of important people throughout our history. Take for example the five 1913 Liberty head nickels. In the past few months, one realized over three million dollars at auction. I can remember when one of these was famous nickels was shown to the public at a Grand Prairie coin show in the 1960’s and its value was determined to be $100,000 dollars. Oh—if we had purchased it then!

As if this wasn’t enough with public disapproval, the outbreak of the Civil War was disastrous for the three dollar gold piece. It literally disappeared from circulation in the Eastern United States. What is very factual about this coin in the fact few circulated anywhere after this war. More were circulated in California than any section of the country. The coin was mintage from 1854-1889. The government decided another coin was a “sure thing” when it came to popularity? Let’s step up a dollar and call this coin the four dollar gold piece, or commonly known as the “Stella”. Surely the populace would accept a four dollar gold coin. Or would they? Batting average for the three, “Your Out”……but surely the four dollar gold piece could clear the bases with a “home-run?” They should have conferred with “Casey” when he was at the bat—they swung, but they struck out.. The coin wasn’t about to succeed once again with the public. The Government lost once again in its effort to please the public of that era. Credit goes to U.S. Minister to Austria, John Kasson. His efforts and influence in the Government was enormous. By minting this gold coin he thought that this particular coin (or pattern), would pave the way for metric coinage here at home. We could link our country’s monetary system more closely to European currency. Yet, the four dollar gold piece was never issued a birth certificate because the coin never reached production stage.

What do we know about it? We know there were two varieties: one designed by Charles E. Barber (the flowing hair type) and the other designed by George T. Morgan, the “coiled hair type”. Mintages were well under 500 for each, if the Mint’s figures are accurate. These particular coins were struck as patterns only in four metals: gold aluminum, copper and white metal. Did the owners of either of these two coins abide with the orders of President Franklin Roosevelt and turn in their coins to the Government in 1934? Hundreds of millions of dollars in gold was returned by our citizens by this order. Special allowances for coin collectors to keep some gold was in the order but only a small minute amount. It wasn’t until December 31, 1974 the order was lifted.

As popular as gold is universally, it has been a proven fact that the general populace has indeed the final say if a coin is accepted or rejected. So say both goodbye and just maybe hello to either the three or four dollar gold piece (pattern) you may see at your favorite coin show. Perhaps if you do, you can associate these with the short lived history of each. Domestic attention to all our coinage has always been a governmental issue priority. Overweight, ugly, or unacceptable coinage are sent to the coin cemetery—it may take time, but it eventually happens.
FWCC JULY MEETING - President Matt Miller called the meeting to order. Twenty-five members and three guests were in attendance. Sam Estrada, Jr. introduced his guests Lyn Carbungeno, Jonathan Gapul and Ben Baddy, all from Angeles City, Philippines.

Regarding the TNA Coin Show and Convention: • Matt said the Club would be receiving an honorarium from the TNA for the members who volunteered to help at the show • Jimmy Davis won a gold coin in the raffle • John Post announced that next year’s TNA show will be at the Arlington Convention Center.

Matt Miller requested a motion to explore a second Evening with an Expert educational event. After a good discussion concerning the merits of the program as well as less expensive alternatives that would still fulfill the club’s educational purpose, John Post made a motion, seconded by Earl Coppersmith, to authorize such an event. The motion passed by a majority vote.

Dennis Wynn announced that Lockheed-Martin has sold its recreation center where the Club holds its coin shows. The last Club show there will be held in November. Future coin shows will be held at the field house across the parking lot from the recreation center.

Educational Program: Ed Lasko discussed the history and evolution of the design for the Standing Liberty Quarter and the sequence of events, not a public outcry, that lead the bare breast Type I design to be changed to the chain mailed Type II.

AUGUST MEETING - President Matt Miller called the meeting to order. He announced that Natalie gave birth to Barrett Miller on Friday, July 26th. Both mother and baby are doing fine. (Congratulations Matt and Natalie)

Thirty one members and guests were in attendance. Guests welcomed were: Ricky Fluke and Kent Miller (Matt’s Dad). The subject of scholarships for young numismatists (YNs) who have provided significant service to the club was discussed at length. Ed Lasko made the following motion:

Resolved: The club shall have an ongoing program to provide a one-time scholarship of not more than $500 to YNs who have made a significant contribution to the Club, such scholarship to be paid directly to the recipient’s accredited college.

David Read seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Matt Miller proposed a $500 scholarship be awarded to Macie Guthrie. Macie will be attending Brigham Young University-Idaho. Jimmy Davis made a motion to do so which was seconded by Earl Coppersmith. The motion passed unanimously.

Educational Program: Bob Millard told the club about Military Payment Certificates (MPCs) and illustrated the discussion with examples from his collection. MPCs started in 1946 and were used only on certain US military bases overseas in lieu of US dollars to prevent a black market in US dollars.

NORTHEAST TARRANT COIN CLUB

NETCC AUGUST MEETING - Merle Owens opened the meeting with 52 members and visitors present. Visitors recognized: Mark March, Faith Adams

Finds: Bob Millard displayed his 1957 checkbook, complete with several checks. He remarked on some of the prices back then. A 1838 Texas Republic note signed by Sam Houston was passed around.

Bob Foster remarked about the fake 1881CC GSA slabs in the market. The coin, the holder and the box are all fake.

Merle asked members to pray for ailing club members and their families. Merle pointed out that the club’s Youth Night is mentioned in the latest edition of “The Mintmark”, a quarterly publication produced by the ANA on local club activities.

Merle also announced that the September’s program is Show and Tell. He encouraged members to bring something from their collection to display for other members. The format will be similar to previous years.

The program this month was given by Henry Brasco on collecting casino chips. He started collecting due to having left over chips from Las Vegas trips. His mother also frequently several California casino and had a good selection of chips. His interest was piqued when he attended the 25th anniversary show of a Casino Collectors club in Vegas. He spoke about local clubs activities and has numerous examples displayed.

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

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

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

Please send your stories and reports by the 15th of January, March, May, July, September or November to: tnanews@sbcglobal.net

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

**AUGUST MEETING**

Military Payment series would be changed out, with new series during a period called “C days” or conversion days.
**SEPTEMBER MEETING** - Merle Ovens opened the meeting with 60 members and visitors present. New member, Mark March was welcomed to the club.

Merle announced that the Club had sent flowers to Ken Carpenter’s funeral. He also read a note from Sue Ann thanking the Club for the flowers and all the support received during this time.

Finds: Terry Aycock displayed a $2 bill with interesting political statements on both sides from his bank.

Merle recognized our long-time member, Debbie Williams, the new TNA President.

Jack Gilbert presented TNA show awards to two of our members. Russell Prinzinger received the Hall of Fame Award and Jim Jeska received an Entertainment Award.

The TNA gave $1,000 to assist Texas local clubs, allocated based on the number of volunteers working the TNA show. NETCC received $460, meaning that we provided 46% of the total volunteers from ALL clubs in state. Thanks to our members and their tireless efforts!

September’s program was Show and Tell Night. Members were encouraged to bring something from their collection to display for other members. A total of 12 members participated.

Presenters were divided into two groups, stationed at eight tables around the perimeter of the meeting room. The first group displayed their collecting interest and told a little background about the items to captivated passerbys. After a period of time, the second group took their turn presenting.

**DISTRICT FIVE**

**COLLIN COUNTY AUGUST MEETING** - The meeting was brought to order with Vice-President Gary R presiding. There were 15 members present and one guest, Rita P.

Extra door prizes were awarded to nine members participating in Hawaiian shirt night.

The July 31 joint meeting with the DCC at Spaghetti Warehouse in Plano was a resounding success. The next joint meeting will be in October, date and place to be announced.

The next coin show will be held on November 23, location to be determined.

Program:: Ted W showed a 1943 and a 1943D “copper” cent, made by the government from steel, but painted by someone, with copper colored paint, in an attempt to pass them off as mint errors.

Kent H brought to our attention an article in Coin World regarding counterfeit Carson City Morgan dollars in counterfeit “original government packaging.”

Ted W received an ANA certificate for his presentation last month regarding bicentennial coins and other metals that were issued by the mint.

**DALLAS JULY MEETING** - Meeting # 1022 was called to order by President Gary D. Twenty-six were present, including four guests.

Stewart H, Vice President in charge of Programs, reminded everyone of the Joint Meeting with the Collin County Club on July 31st, at the Spaghetti Warehouse in Plano.

Stewart was also looking for speakers for several upcoming meetings, but by the end of the evening, the program schedule was filled through the first several months of 2014.

George M. has been working on a website for the Club: www.DallasCoinClub.org. In addition to the main page with the history of the club and officers, there are six other pages containing member bios, want list, selling list, resources page and links. George will be speaking more about the website at the August meeting. He welcomes feedback from the DCC members.

The program “Counterfeit Coin Detectors and Scales” was presented by Larry H., who brought examples of the counterfeit detectors to show. Some of the detectors measure weight, thickness and diameter of coins. After the Civil War, there was much counterfeiting in the US and a need for the detectors. Larry belongs to the International Society of Antique Scale Collectors, and has one of the largest collections.

A large variety of numismatic items were brought for Show and Tell. Coins of all types, modern, ancient and counterfeit, currency, and other numismatic memorabilia were shared.

**AUGUST MEETING** - The 1023rd meeting was called to order by President Gary D. There were 28 present including two former members and three visitors.

Two members were recognized at the meeting: Ben H., who was returning after a lengthy recovery following surgery, and Richard L., who had an article published in the most recent TNA Journal.

A brief discussion was held about the DCC Benefit Auction which will be held at the September meeting. Auction items are being contributed by members, as well as items received from an estate of a former member.

The October program will be on Civil War Paper Money and the November program will be on Patterned One Cent Pieces.

Quite a few items were brought for Show and Tell. The evening’s program was presented by George M. who has redesigned the Club’s website. George updated the members on all the website pages and encouraged everyone to check it out at www.dallascoinclub.org.
BELLAIRE JULY MEETINGS - July 1 - The meeting had 25 people attending. The club noted recent celebrations. Garth Clark confirmed the 50th anniversary token design. Tom Bermel, bourse chairperson confirmed that all permits are ready. Michael Wolford noted that he created a “golden ticket.” The show version will have the August meeting free admission. Sebastian Frommhold confirmed the children’s auction would be 1:00 PM on Saturday. Garth Clark noted that Cook Islands were creating meteorites coins. The meteorites are pieces of the moon and Mars. The following members presented a Show and tell: Garth Clark, Sebastian Frommhold, and Alvin Stern. Alvin Stern won the Show and tell prize.

July 15 - The meeting had 31 people attending. The business meeting went quickly. This provided more time for Michael Doyle’s program about Counterfeiting Coins. Garth Clark provided information about the volunteer gift cards. Rest of the meeting was about the August 3-4 show.

Garth Clark presented samples of moon meteorites coins.

AUGUST MEETINGS - August 5 - The meeting had 25 people. Ralph Ross became an American Numismatic Association governor. Most of the meeting was about the August 3-4 show. The show had 420 Saturday visitors, and 60 Sunday visitors. The show had 11 first-time visitors joining the club members until December 2014. The children’s auction had 36 bidders. Show volunteers were recognized.

The Bellaire coin club 50th anniversary tokens have been delayed. The die creator was on vacation and then waited for higher bullion values.

The following members presented a Show and tell, Garth Clark, Richard Hyde, Gene McPherson, Al Morgan, Neil Robertson, Ralph Ross, and Alvin Stern. Alvin Stern won the Show and tell prize.

August 19 - There were 25 people at the meeting. Garth noted a law about having a photo along with buying jewelry. Eighty percent of members start before the age of 10. Improve the young numismatic clubs.

The Bellaire coin club 50th anniversary tokens will be sold at the Ed Corral in Pasadena, Texas. Both meetings started with readings of the minutes of the previous meeting by Jay Hill and the treasurer report by W.R. Russell.

Members were reminded to attend the Bellaire Coin Club’s show August 3rd & 4th.

On July 22nd, Mike Doyle of Collector’s Coins gave a presentation of counterfeit coins, paper money, grading service slabs and bullion items. Mike reminded folks of his favorite advice, “buy the book before you buy the coin.” There are books and web sites that give great details on the items coin collectors buy. The information may help you avoid buying something produced by a very good forger.

Always a Highlight of the meetings were the raffles (led by John and Tom, the auction brothers) and member auctions.
The Numismatic Roundtable was conducted by David A. with many interesting items brought by members.

The Numismatic Educational Program, “Mexican Republic Five-Centavos,” was presented by Bill S. He first mentioned that this is an area in which it is not possible to complete a collection because there are too many unknowns and super rarities. However, he said that if you really like a challenge, it is an area of collecting that you might want to consider. He said that the series of decimal coinage from 1863 through 1905 went through five different designs and that many were melted. He circulated a notebook containing numerous samples of his five centavos collection for the members to view. A very informative question and answer period was held at the conclusion of the program.

**AUGUST MEETINGS** - Aug. 1 – The first meeting of the month opened with twenty-eight members in attendance, and one visitor, Sandra M. The Attendance Prize, a brilliant proof 1963 Franklin half-dollar, was given to Karla G.

Under Old Business, Karla had details about the September Anniversary Banquet. The banquet is to be held on September 19, 2013.

Under New Business, a nominating committee was appointed. Any members interested in serving in an office were asked that evening to let one of the committee members know.

The “Ask the Expert” session was led by James W. He noted that after researching Lt. Dowling, who was discussed at a previous meeting, he felt that 1837 was his year of birth, not 1838. Depending on the sources checked, both dates can be found. The date 1838 is engraved on his tombstone.

The Numismatic Roundtable was conducted by LeRoy M. David A. led the discussion and several members brought an assortment of very interesting numismatic items to show.

The meeting concluded with a very energetic auction that offered a wide variety of interesting numismatic items. A “special thanks” to all the bidders and all the very happy winning participants.

Aug. 15 – The last meeting of the month opened with twenty-eight in attendance, including visitor Allison Davis. The Attendance Prize, a brilliant uncirculated 1962 Franklin half-dollar, was given to new member Paul Ramirez.

The Nomination Committee reported that they recommended that the current officers continue in their positions for the next year. No one else expressed an interest in serving as a new officer and the current officers are willing to continue in their positions.

The “Ask the Expert” session was led James W. The spirited discussion began with the issue of postage charges for e-Bay purchases, with Clifton V. and Bill D. discussing their experiences with e-Bay purchases and postage charges. James W. then conducted a five question quiz on numismatic knowledge. He said that if you were an informed collector that you would be able to answer at least four of his five questions. It appeared that from his criteria, most were unoinformed collectors.

The Numismatic Roundtable session was conducted by LeRoy M. Larry F. brought a spinner coin from Club21 on West 52nd Street in New York City. He said you spin the coin and whoever the arrow points to when it stops spinning is the person who pays for that round of drinks. He was followed by the presentations of several members.

The Numismatic Educational Program was presented by Bill D. He spoke about Robert Scott, the first engraver of the U.S. Mint and also a designer of some of our early coins. Bill showed several coins from his collection that were engraved and/or designed by Scott. It was a very interesting and informative program.

The very lively mini-auction was conducted by David A. and assisted by Frank G.
Golden Spread Coin Club, Inc.

GOLDEN SPREAD AUGUST MEETING - The following members were in attendance: A. Paul Otts, Rick Morie, Chuck Freas, Rodney Laubhan, Tommy Tompkins, Francis Runkle, Pricilla Coates, Philip muller, Michael Eklund, Phil Whitt, Chuck Michael, Wayne Peek, Kelly Archer, and Norman Goodfellow. We were pleased to have the following guests in attendance: Jessica Wallace, Mary Beth Sayers, and Jim Fitzgerald.

We dispensed with our normal routine in order to hear from Jim Fitzgerald about the Amarillo Coin and Currency Show which Mr. Fitzgerald is producing. Mr. Fitzgerald is the current VP of the National Currency Dealers Association. He has experience in producing coin shows all around Texas as well as shows for the Texas Numismatics Association.

We had a good meeting in August and we hope to top it in September. Keep up the good work bring in guests and keep telling everyone you meet about the field of coin collecting and the enjoyment that can be had with the hobby. Invite everyone you meet to our meetings and help to grow the Golden Spread Coin Club.

HISTORIC, PRICELESS, AND NO LONGER IN A VAULT: A 1933 gold double eagle was carried out of the Federal Reserve Bank in Lower Manhattan. The coin, which is regarded as the world’s most valuable, was transported by armored guards to the New York Historical Society where it will be put on exhibit. This coin escaped being destroyed when President Franklin D. Roosevelt took the United States off the gold standard. In 2002, this particular coin was auctioned at Sotheby’s for $7,590,020, at the time, the highest price for any coin.

August’s trivia question was: Which coin was the first to feature an African-American? The correct answer is: The Booker T. Washington memorial half dollar, issued 1946-1951. This month’s trivia question is: What was the first coin produced in the first U.S. Mint?

SEPTEMBER MEETING - The meeting was called to order with Mike Nowak presiding. The following members were in attendance: A. Paul Otts, Phil Witt, Chuck Michael, Wayne Peek, Francis Runkle, Steve Urban, Norman Goodfellow, Chuck Freas, Tommy Tompkins, Kurt Gehring, Michael Eklund, and Mike Nowak. We were pleased to welcome Jessica Wallace as a guest.

PROGRAM: Michael Eklund presented a very good program about the Buffalo Nickel.

COUNTERFEIT DETECTION: Last month, the NGC received a submission which included several authentic GSA holders. The coins contained in these holders were issued between 1973 and 1980. One holder was found to be a fake which contained a forged Morgan Dollar.

September’s trivia question was: What was the first coin produced in the first U.S. Mint? The answer is: The 1792 half disme. (Those people in that time couldn’t spell very well, could they?)

This month’s trivia question is: Who was the only president whose portrait while he was still living appeared on a coin?

District Twelve

Tyler Coin Club

Member TNA, ANA

YOUR 2 C WORTH

TYLER AUGUST MEETING - Meeting called to order by President Dwight Sowle with Pledge to the Flag. There were 28 members and 1 guest present. The club was lead in prayer by David B. Dwight discussed agenda items with members including club logo, newspaper article about former vice president Darrell, club shirts and group photos. Members were encouraged to join the ANA and TNA.

The club receives $5 off its ANA membership for every active individual ANA member. Bourse Chairman Update (Barry) presented short post-show report and is working on dates for next years’ show.

Club member, Don H., gave a 20-minute educational presentation on United States half dollars. As with his regular profession, Don began his presentation by stating he wanted everyone to leave knowing a little more than when they arrived. Members were given an information sheet to follow along with his presentation concerning United States Half Dollars. Don educated the group by sharing that the half dollar was authorized by congress in 1792, but the first half dollar coin was not produced until December, 1794. The design chosen was similar to that of the half dime, a bust of liberty on the obverse and an eagle on the reverse. Dies used on early coins were handmade. Coins were individually finished after the design was punched into the metal. This produced many variations; letters were occasionally over-stamped as were the dates. Many coins show traces of an old date under the new date. Don passed around a wonderful example of an 1818 over 1817 half dollar for club members to study.

Half dollar specifications (weight, metal, purity) were determined by closely matching the Spanish Reales (Spanish Milled Dollars) which were accepted in trade at that time. Designers felt they needed a coin that would compete with the Spanish Reales. In 1794, the first half dollars weighed 208 grams. In 1837, weight was reduced slightly to 206 grams. Don passed around an 1836 and 1837 half dollar for comparison. In 1853, weight was reduced to 192 grams. Rays were also added on the coin reverse which was another means to help identify the lighter weight half dollars. Additional weight adjustments were made in subsequent years. The Kennedy half dollars of today weigh in at 175 grams.

The initial composition of the half dollar was 89.24% pure silver. In 1837, silver content in half dollars were slightly increased to 90% which is where they stayed through 1964. In 1965, silver content was reduced to 40%, and in 1971 the government removed all precious metals from circulating coins. Don circulated a Benjamin Franklin (90% silver) and clad Kennedy half dollar. Members were asked to feel the weight difference of the two coins and also note the differences in color of the coin edge.

Don passed around a gorgeous group of early Bust half dollars from the 1800’s. Members were encouraged to note size differences and location of denomination designations. The 1794 half dollar had no denomination designation on the obverse or reverse; the designation was stamped on the coin’s edge. Starting in 1807, “50 C.” was printed on the half dollar reverse. In 1837, the denomination designation was changed to “50 CENTS” followed by “HALF DOL.” in 1838. In 1892, the “HALF DOLLAR” designation first appeared.

Don’s presentation was very well organized and most informative. His selections of coin specimens reinforced concepts discussed and were fun to examine.

SEPTEMBER MEETING - Meeting called to order by President Dwight Sowle with Pledge to the Flag. There were 28 members and 1 guest present. The club was lead in prayer by Scott B.

Richard is seeking additional participation for the “Getting To Know You” section of the newsletter.

Our very own past vice president, Darrell D., made a surprise appearance at the September meeting. Darrell recently completed the 12-week United States Navy Officer Candidate School. Darrell recounted his experiences at OCS with club members including his involvement with the creation of a challenge coin for his class. Darrell also worked with his company and advised their sister company with First Salute coins, ensuring that real silver dollars make their way back into this time honored tradition.

Club members expressed their sincere gratitude and thanks for Darrell’s continued service to our great country.

Special Presentation: Club member, Ronnie S., gave a 10-minute educational presentation on collecting arrowheads and spear points.
DISTRICT THIRTEEN

GREENBELT COIN CLUB

GREENBELT JULY MEETING - The meeting was called to order by President Ollie Garrett. Fifteen members were in attendance along with one visitor, Susan Wilson of Vernon.

Marian Lynn asked about the possibility of having another club anniversary get-together. Program: Rob Robinson provided a program about the Three Cent Nickel coin that was minted from 1865 through 1889. Per Rob, the coin was made with the same alloy of 75% copper and 25% nickel as our current five cent nickel coin. The three cent coin came out a year earlier than the five cent coin and was also called a nickel. The three cent coin was produced to help alleviate a coin shortage during the Civil War since all gold and silver coinage was hoarded, forcing the use of postage stamps and fractional currency for small change. Per Rob, the coin was popular at first, as over 11 million were produced in the first year, but became less popular after the war as other coins returned to circulation and mint production of the one cent and five cent coins began to meet the demand.

AUGUST MEETING - The meeting was called to order by President Ollie Garrett with 15 members present. Program: Tony gave the program which provided information on two subjects: (1) The Odyssey Marine Exploration which recovered sunken treasure from a British ship that had been sunk during WWII. The ship was a convoy ship named the S.S. Gairsoppa that had become separated from the rest of the convoy and was sunk by a German U-boat in Feb 1941. The wreck was discovered in 2011 by Odyssey Marine at a depth of 15,400 feet; nearly 3 miles deep and 3,000 feet deeper than the Titanic. The ship was carrying a large number of silver ingots and 2,792 silver ingots weighing in excess of 109 tons were recovered during two separate operations in 2012 and 2013.

(2) Tony then told about relic medals and passed around an Apollo 14 relic medal which was made from silver carried aboard the Apollo 14 flight to the moon. He then passed around a 1905 Nelson Centennial medal which was made of copper from Adm Horatio Lord Nelson's ship, "Victory". This medal was produced to commemorate the naval victory of Adm Nelson's fleet over a combined French and Spanish fleet at the Battle of Trafalgar on Oct 21, 1805.

SEPTEMBER MEETING - In lieu of a regular club meeting, the Greenbelt Coin Club held its annual anniversary dinner at La Bara's Mexican Restaurant in Vernon, Texas. Twenty members were in attendance including newest member, Susan Wilson. Eight guests of members were also in attendance. The guests were Sandra Castleman, guest of Bryan and Jean Sweitzer; Etta Ramsey, guest of Don Ramsey; Nancy O'Brien, guest of Connolly O'Brien; Lois Hogue, guest of Tony Zupkas; Michele Walker, guest of Dan Walker; and Vickey Bradley, guest of James Bradley.

In addition to an excellent meal paid for by the club, members and guests were treated to several prize drawings.

In the area he noticed that Fox Valley Coins will be closing their shops in two locations due to a resale ordinance which requires coin dealers to maintain coins for thirty days. Rob Robinson said that he once gave a program about the three cent nickel and a lady told him that a three cent nickel didn’t make any sense.

DISTRICT FOURTEEN

WICHITA FALLS JULY MEETING - The meeting was called to order with 20 members present. Membership Prize: 1974 “S” Eisenhower Silver Dollar was won by: Jean Sweitzer.

Program: Tony Zupkas said that he went to Michigan and went to coin shops with a childhood friend of his. In the coin shop in Downers Grove the shop owner mentioned that there were ten coin shops within a mile radius of his shop. Tony said that while he was visiting coin shops in the area he noticed that Fox Valley Coins will be closing their shops in two locations due to a resale ordinance which requires coin dealers to maintain coins for thirty days. Rob Robinson said that he once gave a program about the three cent nickel and a lady told him that a three cent nickel didn’t make any sense.

HIDALGO AUGUST MEETING - The meeting was called to order by President Raul H. Gonzalez with 38 members present plus four visitors. 4 new members that applied the month before were accepted at this meeting. The HCC now has a membership of 117 for the year 2013.

The Hidalgo Coin Club Shirts arrived last month and everyone was pleased with the result. The emblem as shown has the club’s 50th Anniversary Commemorative Coin on a blue-green button down shirt with a pocket.

Our monthly Friday Night Coin Shows have been a big hit not only for the collectors and guests, but for the dealers as well. This is a four hour show (6pm-10pm) on the Friday following our monthly meeting. The show keeps getting bigger and better each month which includes an educational program. Many dealers are finding that having a show on a Friday night frees them to do their normal coin sales at markets and shows during the weekend.

District 14 Governor Robert ‘Ski’ Kurczewski and President Raul H. Gonzalez gave a power point presentation to the membership on the benefits of being a T.N.A. member. Ski gave a report on the annual TNA Convention and Show while Raul gave a power presentation on the TNA Map explaining the different Districts and clubs of Texas.

The McAllen Young Numismatists meet on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month at the Lark Community Library in McAllen. The students are learning ‘how to grade coins’. We are always looking for donations from our adult members in the form of red books, coin folders/albums, foreign coins, etc.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of long time coin club member Craig Grover. Mr. Grover passed away in mid-June. The coin club will miss him and his knowledge and experience. Our sympathy goes out to his family and friends.

SEPTEMBER MEETING - The meeting was called to order by President Raul H. Gonzalez with 37 members present and 4 visitors. The new members that applied the month before were accepted. The HCC now has a membership of 124 for the year 2013.

Show Chairman Jesus Solano announced that the dealer tables for the Sept. 13th Friday Night Show have been sold out. We continue to continue to see this ‘mini’ show grow in popularity.

The membership voted to have a 3 gold coin raffle like last year to serve as a fund raiser. The drawing will be held at the Annual Fall Coin And Collectibles Show scheduled for Nov 2 & 3, 2013.

American Gold Eagles will be the coins raffled off this time. All 3 winners will be awarded the same prize.

The McAllen Youth Coin Club will restart with new students and classes on Sept. 14th. They will meet on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month.
The Beaumont Coin Club

**BEAUMONT JULY MEETING** - The meeting was called to order by George in the absence of Peter D our president. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited to begin the meeting led by Judy and Barbara.

The old business was Jerry discussing the September 14th Beaumont Coin Club Show. 16 tables have been requested by dealers.

New business: JUDY ASKS THAT EVERYONE BE AWARE OF THE UPCOMING NOVEMBER 18th MEETING will consist of the annual coin club auction. An excellent opportunity to make a good buy on 80 different lots. I know there will be 2 GSA Carson City Uncirculated Silver Dollars in the black box with the bidding starting at the rediculous price of $175 Each. Come and bid!

The presentation this month was a group effort with a number of members making available their favorite coins for inspection and taking questions.

**AUGUST MEETING** - Meeting called to order by George F, our Vice President. George asked that the pledge of allegiance be recited to begin the meeting.

The program was to be given by one of our members who was not able to attend so we had a trivia session. Everyone had fun with the questions and some even gave correct answers. Richie Rich got all of them correct.

Old business included discussion of logistics of the coin show that is being held at the Elk’s Lodge from 9 to 5 on September 14th.

The next order of business was door prize drawing followed by the auction of 25 lots.

Greater Port Arthur Coin Club

**PORT ARTHUR JULY MEETING** - The program was given by Carlton on Free coin apps for Iphone and Ipad. This was a great program with so much interest in this way of getting information. The app is the best quick reference tool if you have this type of communication.

**AUGUST MEETING** - The program was given by Susan. We talked about how to protect our coin collections. Most collections are an investment that we do not want to lose in a fire, flood or any other disaster. We talked about how to protect our collections from the unthinkable a robbery. Please be pro-active and know that it can happen to anyone in this day and time.

Silsbee Coin Club

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

Visitors/New Members: We were pleased to have Mr. Sid Kinsey as a return visitor.

Barbara presented a special medallion to Paula for being the President of the Silsbee Coin Club. She stated that this would be the last time the design of the medal would be used.

Jerry related that the Beaumont Coin Club Show would be held September 14th and 15th at the Elk’s Lodge where it was last year.

Program: Mark gave a program on mint mark placement on US coins. A summary follows. Older coins, in the 1800’s, all had their mint marks on the backs. There were eight mints in the United States. They were as follows:

- **“C”** – Charlotte, North Carolina (gold coins only: 1838 – 1861)
- **“CC”** – Carson City, Nevada (1870 – 1893)
- **“D”** – Dahlonega, Georgia (gold coins only: 1838 – 1861)
- **“D”** – Denver, Colorado (1906 to date)
- **“O”** – New Orleans, Louisiana (1838 – 1891, 1879 – 1909)
- **“P”** – Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (1793 to date (P not used in early yrs.)
- **“S”** – San Francisco, California (1854 to date) (Proof coins now)
- **“W”** – West Point, New York (1984 to date)

Also, “M” used in Manila for Philippines (1945 – 1951)

Only the Liberty Head $5.00 gold piece, produced from 1829 – 1908, had all seven (7) mint marks. The first large size mint marks were made on the silver “war time nickels” dated 1942 – 1945. The mint mark was conspicuously placed above the dome of Monticello to show that there was a change in alloy. This was the first time that “P” had been used for the Philadelphia mint. The “P” mintmark was next placed on the dollar and every other coin but the penny in 1979. The “V” nickels first had the “D” and “S” mint marks in 1912. In 1965, 1966, and 1967, there were no mintmarks on the Jefferson Nickels.

In 1955, the last “S” was placed on the Wheat Penny with it again appearing on the circulating coins from 1968 – 1974. From that point on, it was only found in the proof sets. The Barber Dimes had the mintmark on the reverse at the bottom as did the Mercury and Roosevelt dimes (until 1968 when the mintmark was placed on the obverse. The 1996 Roosevelt dime also was found with a “W” to celebrate the 50th year anniversary of the design. The dime was only available in mint sets. The Kennedy 1964 half is the only coin of the series with the mintmark on the reverse. After the first year of issue, the mintmark was moved to the obverse. Silver eagles have been produced from 1986 to date. There are no mint marks on the uncirculated coins but the “S” mintmark was placed on the proof coins from 1986 – 1992. From 1993, the proof coins were marked with “P”. West Point issued its first silver eagle in 1995 and from that point on, all sorts of exotic, made for collectors, silver eagles have been produced! The Sacagawea dollar was produced from 2000 – 2008 with both “P” and “D” mintmarks (“S” for proof coins). In 2009, the Native American series was begun with “D”, “P” and “S” mintmarks. Coins in this series minted after 2011 are limited to numismatic sales and none will be issued for general circulation. Another interesting fact brought out was that the mintmark of the Presidential dollars is still on the edge of the coin but the motto “IN GOD WE TRUST” was moved from the edge onto the reverse side starting in 2009.

For the placement of mintmarks on all the US coins members received a handout that Mark supplied.

Waco Coin Club

**WACO JULY MEETING** - Tom Campbell called the meeting to order.

Cash prize: $55 next month

Bring coins for auction. The better the auction the more people will be at meeting.

Next show is September 14. We will need some people to help Alan early set up signs, etc.

**AUGUST MEETING** - Tom Campbell called the meeting to order. 16 members were in attendance.

Raffle prizes. Chris Ross, Joyce McCall, Ed Terry

Door prizes: Mike Ross

Cash prize: Bob Hacker was in attendance. $25 next month

Business: Bring coins for auction. The better the auction the more people will be at meeting.

The show next spring is a two day show, April 11-12. The later weekends in April were already taken.

We have letters from the scholarship recipients at MCC, TSTC and Baylor. Those letter will probably be read next meeting.
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Numismatic History:  
From Your Editor’s “Coin Cabinet”

by Richard Laster

Your editor has a philosophy: “everything has a story.” Well maybe not everything but many things. I find this particularly true when it comes to building a collection. One experience interprets another, an astute eve can find a bargain, there is always more to be found, it may take a while but will happen . . . these are a few of the factors in the experience of my personal numismatist philosophy.

One of my particular collector stories actually started back when I was just a young to be editor, actually back prior to high school. I’m not going to say how long that has been but it seems like yesterday yet was in reality a long time in the past. I was a member of the Bellaire Coin Club in the Houston area and at a “show and tell” sort of time one of the members, and I can’t recall which, brought along a piece of paper money to pass around the room. I thought the note was “cool” and decided at that moment to acquire one for myself.

In the next few decades your editor’s collector interests continued with paper money becoming the primary goal. I started with Republic of Texas material, studying and pursuing what I could find and afford at a variety of shops, shows, flea markets, etc., just as we all do with our own thrill of the hunt. At a shop down in the Galveston area I located a stack of paper about which I wasn’t familiar at the time. The dealer had approximately 30 pieces of Texas county scrip. Several were in not so fresh condition including one half of the note I’d seen back in the 60’s at the Bellaire Coin Club. I purchased the stack, actually traded an 1861 Confederate Two Dollar note for it. This experience started my collection of Texas county scrip, give me motivation to buy the two books on the subject (one by Bob Medlar and the other book co-authored by our own Bill Corbin) and I was delighted to have at least the left half of the elusive piece of paper money. For “point of reference sake” we’re talking back in the late 1980’s here.

I did have a brief sighting on an uncut sheet of these back a few years ago as one of the lots at a Memphis Paper Show auction. I watched as it sold for many times above what my budget would allow and well over the estimate.

So from the time I first became inspired, through the decades since, science has changed the marketplace. We now are in the world of electronic media. Your editor doesn’t have a lot of time to invest in eBay and like sites. I do follow and have bought a few items, but compared to other folks, not so much. On one of my occasional online visits I spotted “my” note. It had a buy price on it. Honestly since so much time had passed I studied it for a while almost hoping somebody else would claim it. Over the following week I shot the seller a few bids for his consideration. He responded with counter-offers which weren’t satisfactory. The day came for the note to close so I decided “well, one more try” This time we came together on a price which was mutually acceptable and after all those years I am at home with another piece of obsolete paper money, one I studied earnestly so long before.

Even though my obsolete note has a listing in Medlar’s Texas Obsolete Notes and Scrip, which generally covers only to the area of the American Civil War, I have it on good authority that my piece dates from somewhat after that time period. A major point of evidence is the fact that the town of its origin wasn’t born until 1874 and also looking at the overall, design, etc., it speaks of being printed in the later years of the 19th Century, perhaps in the 1880’s.

Can’t say whether I’m any better off or more “complete” since my new acquisition has arrived. It has already found its way into my safe deposit box residing next to the half of itself. At least your editor can check off another “would like to have” from his memory list.

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This obsolete bank note is in its dimension the same as a large size piece of U.S. currency and that of a basic Confederate note. Granted it is a bit hard to read from this copy: “Thos. F. Hudson and Son will pay to bearer Ten Dollars in merchandise... Rockdale, Milam County, Texas.” Not in the best of shape but better than just a half a bill.

Maybe your editor will put that half on eBay. Probably not!!
"Knowledge is like money: "the more [one] gets, the more [one] craves." My name is Ralph Ross, Ph.D., and as Chairman of the Mathematics Department at Jack Yates Senior High School (2011-2013) I use money in the classroom to help students crave learning and appreciate rich connections between mathematics and numismatics; disciplines that have been intertwined since ancient civilization.

One of many stories about the marriage of the disciplines goes like this: A student studying GEOMETRY under Euclid (the iconic father of Geometry) questioned what he would get from learning the subject, whereupon Euclid ordered the student be given a COIN, "since he must make gain from what he learns." I use coins/money in a similar fashion to enrich students' minds and reward success, big and small.

I have taught school for twenty-five years, eighteen years at one of the nation's highest performing schools, and the last seven at Jack Yates, one of the nation's lowest performing schools. As an African-American educator, acutely aware of the shortage of and demand for qualified black professionals in all sectors of society, I chose to teach at Jack Yates to give minority students a fighting chance to become future professionals. Sadly, many of these students are poorly equipped to succeed beyond the gates of Jack Yates, but I believe in them and work tirelessly to help them succeed. I have experienced success with my Coins in the Classroom "Education thru Numismatics" Program where much has been accomplished to date with limited resources predominantly funded out-of-pocket. I embrace my role as mentor and role model to these students and use my personal success as an instructional tool. As the Past President of the Greater Houston Coin Club ("GHCC"), the Youth Chairman and Exhibit Chairman of the Texas Numismatics Association ("TNA") and recently elected Governor on the American Numismatic Association ("ANA") Board of Governors, I am showing my students by example how to make gain from what he learns. I use coins/ money in a similar fashion to enrich students' minds and reward success, big and small.

A math instructor for the past seven years at Jack Yates Senior High School in the Houston Independent School District ("HISD"), I sought innovative ways to motivate students at this Title One School, where the majority of students are underachievers who perform poorly academically, especially on standardized test, with few entering college. A numismatist and coin collector, since age four, I created the Jack Yates "Lion" Coin Club to expose minority students to numismatic knowledge through educational, historic and scientific means. Thereafter I incorporated the "EDUCATION THRU NUMISMATICS" curriculum in the classroom to improve academic scholarship and promote academic excellence in disciplines, such as mathematics and science, while preparing students for college and future careers. Coins and currency helps students recognize and appreciate connections between abstract mathematical concepts and applications to "real world" experiences. Students are exposed to a more in-depth study of core foundation classes: science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM), arts and humanities. The study of money is a natural vehicle for multi-disciplinary instruction into art, culture, history, religion, politics, economics and numerous other disciplines. The study of coins, currency, barter, medals and tokens helps students understand the origins of our current world system.

Since most of my students are under-achievers, I had to develop ways to excite them. Money excites them! I created several Programs to encourage them while also rewarding success. Students who have continuously failed and had little success in school have become more engaged as a result of the introduction of "coins in the classroom." One such Program is "Coins-for-A's", which offers monetary rewards to students who meet certain grade requirements. Sponsors at the local, state and national level provide incentives for students in Grades 1 through 12 who receive 3 or more A's on their report cards during certain grading periods. Three Texas coin dealers (Heritage, Universal Coin & Bullion and U.S. Coins) annually collaborate with the "Lion Coin Club" to award One Ounce silver eagles for commended performance on the mathematics section of the standardized Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills ("TAKS") Test. These students are awarded their silver eagle at the "Money Show of the Southwest" Coin Show sponsored by the Greater Houston Coin Club and are later treated to lunch at a local restaurant. The awardees are exposed to a world far different from their status quo boundaries and many have expressed a sense of accomplishment in earning their silver dollar, along with meeting coin dealers from around the United States. In the classroom, I give Kennedy Halves and Eisenhower Dollars from my personal collection to students who make A's on classroom exams. Most students have never seen these coins before, so we discuss the historical significance of these iconic figures and their connection to the civil rights movement, among other information. This “hands-on” learning is fun and motivates students to broaden their knowledge in an unexpected methodology. I use varied resources to help students learn and achieve, including electronic technology, which is essential in today's learning environment. Electronic technology is a research tool that gathers and processes important information that helps students understand the connection of numismatics, mathematics and other disciplines to real world applications. Numismatics exposes students to the distinct contributions and achievements of cultures and nations throughout history, in mathematics, science, art and the humanities.

The "EDUCATION THRU NUMISMATICS" curriculum is working! During my tenure as Chairman of the Mathematics Department and the implementation of my curriculum, quantitative measurements show significant success. My students demonstrated higher level thinking skills in a markedly improved manner at the end of the 2013 school year as their results on the TAKS Test established. 96% of my students passed the TAKS test along with the following accomplishments:

- Yates High School met the Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) requirements two consecutive years; and
- Yates High School, for the first time ever, received a rating of Distinction in Mathematics from the Texas Education Association (Past ratings were "Unacceptable" during my 7 years at Yates)

I am very pleased by the much improved results, but strive for 100% mastery of the exam and mathematics. I believe my work with my students developed higher level thinking skills that made TAKS results and other accomplishments possible. Personal recognition is insignificant; however I am pleased that my peers nominated me for Yates' Teacher-of-the-Year Honors. I was the Teacher-of-the-Year runner up, but I am a winner because my students are progressing and striving for excellence.
Silver dollars are the most popular coin collected today. There are many dates, types, VAMs and other varieties to collect & enjoy. Collectors often need numismatic help when trying to accumulate a collection and/or portfolio. Collecting Silver Dollars may be very complicated and you might need to consult a dealer. There are thousands of coin dealers in the U.S. When you see a regular dealer, he may need to send you to see a "specialist." The same goes for Silver Dollars. That is where the National Silver Dollar Roundtable (NSDR) comes in. It comes to collecting Silver Dollars, you really do need a "specialist." The following dealers have been very carefully selected and approved by the NSDR Board of Governors. The National Silver Dollar Roundtable has recently celebrated its 28th Anniversary. Below is a complete list of current NSDR members. We are proud of our members and recommend them all to you. When it comes to collecting Silver Dollars, don't just call any coin dealer, consult a "NSDR SILVER DOLLAR SPECIALIST!"

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**STOLEN/LOST FEDEX PACKAGE - AUG. 19**

A FedEx package containing Obsolete notes is presumed to be stolen. The package was shipped from Tennessee to Oakland, California. Records indicate the package arrived in Oakland but was never delivered to the recipient.

The package contained the following notes:
- $5 Bank of W. Florida Appalachiocola #145
- $5 State of Florida St. John’s Jacksonville #4951
- $10 State of Florida Bank of St. John’s #193
- $100 State of Florida Tallahassee #1069
- $1 Southern Bank of Georgia Bainbridge #1053
- $2 Merchants Planters Bank State of Georgia #993
- $10 Savannah, Georgia Merchants and Planters Bank #518close
- $1 Georgia Bank of Morgan #1280
- $2 Georgia Bank of Morgan #25112
- $3 Georgia Bank of Morgan #335
- $10 Georgia Bank of Morgan #255
- $100 Bank of State of Georgia Savannah #730
- $20 Mississippi & Alabama Real Estate Banking Co. #2221
- $3 Bank of Washington North Carolina #2845
- $4 Bank of Washington North Carolina #67
- $5 Bank of Washington North Carolina
- $20 State of North Carolina Raleigh #2787
- $3 Omaha City Western Exchange #717
- $5nsn Bank of Nashville TN
- $5nsn Bank of America TN
- $10nsn Dandridge Bank TN
- $10 Lawrenceburg Bank TN
- $20 Dobson North Carolina #306

Anyone with information should contact:
Doug Davis, 817-723-7231 Doug@numismaticcrimes.org

**HOTEL ROOM BURGLARY - AUG. 19**

Rosemont, IL police are investigating the theft of over $400,000 in banknotes and coins taken from a dealer attending the ANA and staying at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Rosemont. The dealer reported that some person or persons removed a safe containing the banknotes and coins from his hotel room.

Stolen: Banknotes from Argentina, Uruguay, Spain, China, Brazil and several American bank note proofs, Coins from Argentina, Venezuela, Spain, Poland, Italy and Eritrea.

Rare Argentina: Rio de la Plata 8 Reales 1813 PTS Provincias (Error Provincias) valued between $40-50,000. Also taken: Royal order from Cuba (order of Finlay) large breast star badge in silver and enamel, Order of Egypt a large breast star in silver and enamel.

Anyone with information should contact:
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**LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS ARE REQUESTING INFORMATION - SEPT. 11**

Title to a NGC Certified 1866-S No Motto $20 AU-58 with Serial # 3581601-002 is the subject of a criminal investigation as well as civil proceedings in Texas.

If you are offered this coin please contact:
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**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY - SEPT. 17**

Lake Charles, Louisiana police are investigating a burglary that occurred on or about Sept. 1, 2013.

The victim came home from vacation to find that their home had been ransacked and burglarized. Investigation revealed that the possible entrance was through the rear patio door that leads into the victim’s living room. Once inside the home the unknown suspect(s) ransacked the victim’s home. It is believed that during this time the suspect(s) found the victim’s safe. Using various tools found in the victim’s home the suspect(s) were able to break into the victim’s safe. Once the safe was opened the suspects removed Approximately 1,400 silver eagle one dollar coins, valued at approximately $50,000.00 dollars.

This is the approximate inventory of the coins:
- 200 - 1987 Silver Eagles
- 400 - 1988 Silver Eagles
- 200 - 1989 Silver Eagles
- 200 - 1990 Silver Eagles
- 200 - 1991 Silver Eagles
- 200 - 1992 Silver Eagles

Detective Sgt. Robert McCauley is requesting the public’s assistance in locating the individual or individuals who are responsible for the burglary and victim’s loss.

Sgt. Robert McCauley can be contacted by calling the Lake Charles Police Department at 337-491-1311 or contact:
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**ASSISTANCE NEEDED - AUG. 28**

A Texas police agency is requesting information from any dealer who may have done business with any of the following individuals.

Richard Brian Gibbs W/M
Cynthia Noble W/F
Russell Craig Stallings W/M

Individuals were seen driving a grey Dodge P/U

Anyone with information should contact:
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**STOP PAYMENT CHECKS - AUG. 30**

The following subject has been identified as writing several checks to two coin shops in the Austin, Texas area and have been returned as stop payment. The loss to date is over $10,000.

The subject has been identified as:
Jesse G. Munoz
W/M
P.O. Box 511, Austin, Texas 78767-0511

Also uses an address on Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas.

Attempts to make contact with Munoz by the victims have been negative.

Cases have been filed with the Williamson County District Attorney’s office.

Anyone with information should contact:
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4th St. & Pecan (Rd. 495), McAllen, TX
for more information contact:
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P.O. Box 2964 McAllen, TX 78502
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