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ACC Invades Summer Seminar

Seven yellow vested students attended the first week of Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs, CO. Another three attended the second week. More than any other club, ACC supports Summer Seminar for the courses, the comradery, and the value.

415 students from around the country (and a few from overseas) attended the 30+ courses offered.



Jason Bradford

Every course was led by instructors who are experts in their fields. Each course provides an immersion into the subject area for 4 days. Every student comes away with an expanded knowledge set to use back home.

The academic experience is possible because of the organization and hard work of the ANA Staff in coordination with the Colorado College. In addition to identifying courses and instructors, developing a course catalogue, judging scholarship applications and processing student paperwork, they are there throughout the sessions to facilitate the experience. They also look forward to enabling future Summer Seminars with YN auctions (\$34,000 raised) to fund YN scholarships, a book sale (\$11,000 raised) to support the library, and an end of session banquet to recognize accomplishments. Staff members also shuttle students around the campus and to/from the airport. They also resolve problems that arise and deal with emergencies.



Matt Peacock



Rick, Tom & Thomas

Perhaps almost as valuable as the academic instruction is the ability to interact with the great people you meet at Summer Seminar. Luminaries from the hobby (e.g., Ken Bressett), ANA Staff and members of the Board of Governors are available and approachable. Sharing your hobby passions with like-minded numismatists from around the country is a lasting plus. I always look forward (*continued page 3*)

ANA Staff Profile

Christian Strayhorn Up for the Challenge

You are the expert. Do a presentation at a club meeting and share your expertise.

I recently had the opportunity to sit down with Christian Strayhorn, The ANA's new Education Director. She has the challenge to update, digitize and integrate the ANA's educational programs/courses to make them responsive to the member's needs. I am convinced that she is up for the challenge.

Christian was born and raised in North Carolina. She earned a bachelor's degree in history from North Carolina State University, and a master's degree in history from the University of Nebraska – Kearney. She has also received a certificate in School Management and Leadership from the Harvard Business School, and a certificate in Global Education Entrepreneurship from the University of Pennsylvania. Her very prestigious career includes teaching for 10 years in North Carolina, and being an International Educator and administrator in China, Brazil and El Salvador for six years.

When asked why she chose to work for the ANA, Christian says: "I have a passion for social studies, collecting and history. When I found this job, it seemed like the perfect culmination of my 17 years of experience in education and my love of the past." She looks forward to welcoming all numismatic learners by providing "dynamic, engaging, relevant, and organized learning opportunities for the life-long love of numismatics."

Christian lives in Colorado Springs with her dad and dog, Rocky. Her brother and niece Hazel (age 8) and nephew Ranger (age 4) live in North Carolina; her mother is also in North Carolina. Christian is a collector of Smurf figurines, historic finger puppets, and patches from the places she travels around the world. When she's not working or traveling, she loves to read and play with Rocky.

There's no doubt that Christian loves her job. She looks forward to working to improve the ANA's education experience for years to come. I look forward to working with her for years to come as well.



(Seminar from page 1) to seeing friends I've made over the years at Summer Seminar.

It's hard to talk about Summer Seminar without commenting on the beautiful setting of the Colorado College. Manicured lawns, stately buildings, flowers in bloom and great views of the mountains greet you every day. I should also mention the good food in the campus dining facility.



Some people are hesitant to attend Summer Seminar because of the \$1,200 cost for tuition, room and board. However, there are full and partial scholarships available from the ANA, and other scholarships and stipends available to defray some if not all of the expenses. If you're interested, please contact me.

I'm looking forward to attending Summer Seminar again next year. I hope to see many of you joining me.
Phil

To Arms! To Arms! The State Fair Is Coming!

The smell of roasting green chili will soon be in the air heralding in the New Mexico State Fair from September 7th through the 17th. The Albuquerque Coin Club will host displays and lectures at the Creative Arts building as we have for the last 70 years.



Uncle Steve Acre wants you to submit displays to be judged and man our booth. Displays must be submitted August 25th and 26th; the State is assessing a \$5 fee for each submitter. Judging will take place on August 28th and 29th, and displays must be picked up on September 18th.

We also need volunteers to represent the club to the public – answer questions, provide advice, and hopefully sign up a few new members.

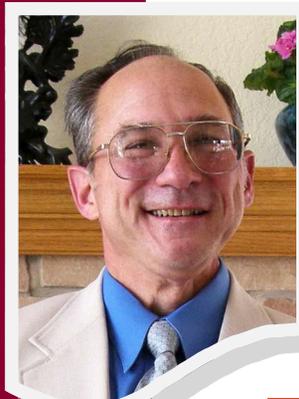
Volunteers will get free entry to the Fair and free parking. Steve will have a sign-up sheet at the July and August meetings.

Questions? Call Steve at 505-677-5234.

Breaking News: Pocket Change takes FIRST PLACE in the ANA Club Publications competition.

ANA News

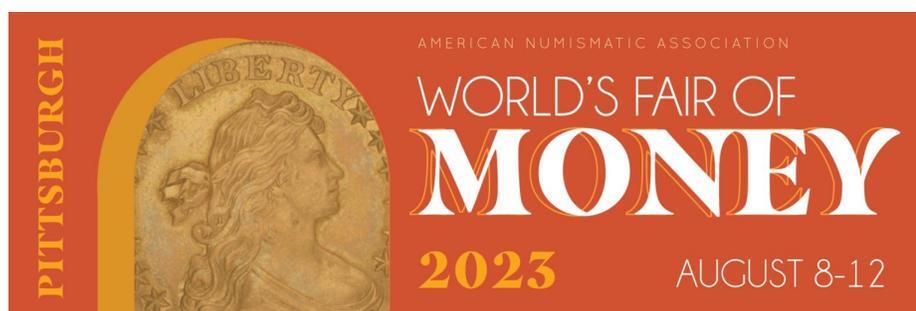
by: Phil Vitale



WFM A Great Show

Now that Summer Seminar is over, the ANA has shifted gears to put on the World's Fair of Money (WFM) in Pittsburgh, PA, August 8th to 12th. Hundreds of dealers, free lectures, auctions, rare coin displays, activities for kids, and access to hobby luminaries along with ANA Staff all await the numismatic visitor.

Our club will have a table at the WFM to see and be seen. Please stop by and visit with us should you decide to attend.



June Presentation

by: Phil Vitale

"Coin" Notes

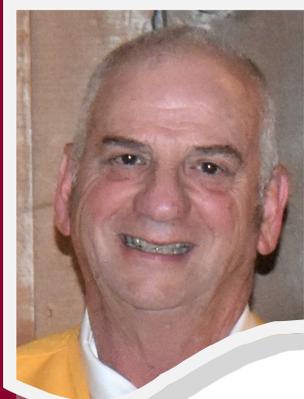
Our June meeting saw Morgan Bleth educating the membership on 1890-91 Treasury Notes. The government issued the Treasury Note under the authority of the Sherman Silver Purchase Act. They were issued to individuals selling silver bullion to the treasury and were redeemable in silver or gold coin (hence the nickname "coin notes"). Manipulation of the monetary markets led to the withdrawal of Treasury Notes in 1893.



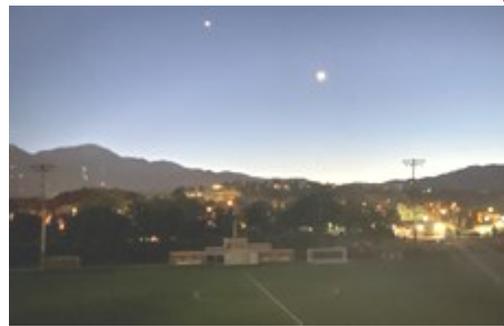
Treasury notes were the large size of the day (7.375 by 3.125 inches). The most famous of these is the 1890 \$1,000 note nicknamed "The Grand Watermelon" due to the shape and coloring of the zeros on the reverse. These notes are very rare; a recent auction garnered over \$3 million for one.



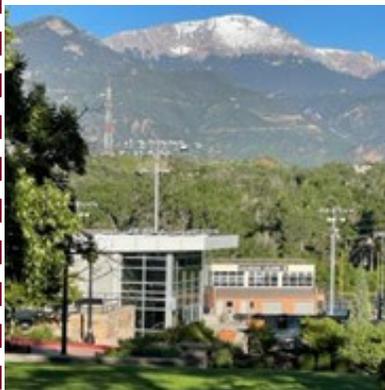
Summer Seminar Reflection



So, how do you pack three years of Numismatic learning into five days? That's easy – Summer Seminar. Spending one week in Colorado Springs and studying **in-depth, one subject** is the most amazing college-level exploration of Numismatics I've ever experienced. Needless to say, having the opportunity to attend Summer Seminar for the first time is the highlight of my collecting experience.



In addition to the sometimes-mind-numbing level of detail and knowledge that I was exposed to, the chance to meet and socialize with dedicated Numismatists is an opportunity that is hard to equal. National and trade shows are one thing-breathtaking in the variety and volume of coins available; but sharing a beer with world-class Numismatists while watching the sunset and the stars and planets come out at the "Star Gazer Lounge" is very special. Interacting with people from all parts of the world like this is a great experience.



Then there's the opportunity to spend a week in Colorado Springs. Pikes Peak is an ever present and magnificent reminder of how close you are to the Rockies. . Unusually, we endured college cafeteria food and dorm rooms with bunk beds and communal bathrooms - an experience that I have gladly missed for about 40 years.

Finally, the people that I've gotten to know from this experience are one-of-a-kind. Spending the day and talking with the ANA staff, who went above and beyond in making our stay comfortable, and other fellow ANA members provides unique opportunities to network. My instructors (in the Morgan Dollar) are both recognized experts in their field of expertise. I now have access to an incredible amount of knowledge, resources and experience in collecting Morgans.

So, in summary, consider attending at least one week of Summer Seminar next year. If your serious about Numismatics, this is the ticket to knowledge, comradery, and a really fun time. I can only imagine what it would be like to stay for two weeks like Rod, Matt, Eric and my roommate, James. However, we all have to say good bye to summer camp at some point.

Peggy's Two Cents

by: Peggy Deurloo

It is with mixed emotions that I congratulate our Pocket Change Editor, Phil Vitale – yet again he took our newsletter to the finish line with another big score – WE MADE FIRST PLACE !! THANKS, PHIL ! Your determination and hard work is much appreciated by all of us.



Unfortunately, it's not all good news for Phil . . . he made a heroic run for the ANA Board but lost by just a few votes . . . they don't know what slipped through their fingers. BUT on his next run at it, he will score that seat. We're all in it for you, Phil!

We've got another great program scheduled for the July 31st Membership Meeting - Tim Fuller will talk about Alexander The Great and his money. I love the history lessons our club includes at the Monthly Meetings !

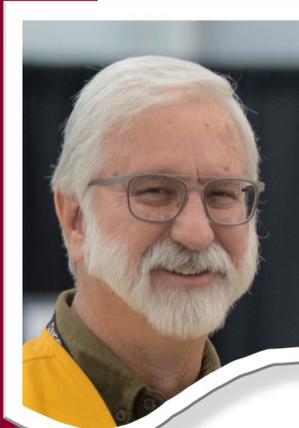
The Summer Trade Fair is coming up in a couple of weeks – mark your calendar for Saturday, August 5th from 10:30 am to 5:00 pm at the UNM facility where our ACC Meetings are held. It's not too late to talk to

Chairman Matt Peacock about set up times, table space and equipment (lights, display cases, etc.) for those of you who are interested in participating as a dealer.

Nominations for the 2024 Calendar Year are coming up in September – Bill DeWeese cannot take that position again soooo, if you have some bookkeeping knowledge and/or experience or are able to balance your own checkbook without using an eraser, you may be just who the ACC Board is looking for . . . and you won't have to do it all by yourself – Bill will be hanging over your shoulder in case you need a bit of direction. Think about running for this vital office – your Coin Club needs you ! We cannot continue as a non-profit organization without this seat being filled.

Our club exists to serve our members. Get involved and enjoy it more.

Bill's Two Bits



The financials for the month of June were pretty simple and straight forward. We had \$993.00 in revenues and \$237.22 in expenditures. The key takeaway was the \$500.00 rent we charged the Expo New Mexico for the rent of 50 display cases for use during the upcoming state fair. The net result was a profit for the month of \$755.78 and a reduction of the year-to-date loss to \$2,444.93.

Our checking account is still looking respectable with a reconciled balance of \$17,829.69 and we still have over \$30,700 in CD's.

A reminder to everyone that the plastic club bucks that we are currently using will be demonetized as of November 30, 2023. So spend whatever you have before then.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me and I will do my best to give you an answer.

Dates to Remember

ALBUQUERQUE COIN CLUB EVENTS:

Albuquerque Coin Club Monthly Meetings are held at the UNM Continuing Education Building located at 1634 University Blvd. NE, Albuquerque. Meetings are conducted in person and concurrently on Zoom. The Zoom invitation is:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83328806126?pwd=QjIXTUgvT1VpZXB5ZzBrU0VTVjN5QT09>

Meeting ID: 833 2880 6126

Passcode: 508559

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| July 31, 2023 | Membership Meeting | Speaker: Tim Fuller |
| | Topic: Coinage of Alexander the Great | |
| August 5, 2023 | Trade Fair | |
| August 28, 2023 | Membership Meeting | Speaker: Jim Derrick |
| | Topic: US Commemorative Coinage | |
| September, 25, 2023 | Membership Meeting | Speaker: Byron Kesner |
| | Topic: Morgan Dollars | |

ANA EVENTS

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| August 8 - 12, 2023 | World's Fair of Money |
| | Pittsburgh, PA |
| March 14 - 16, 2023 | National Money Show |
| | Colorado Springs |

UPCOMING AREA AND MAJOR COIN SHOWS

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| September 8 - 10, 2023 | Tulsa Fall Coin & Currency Show |
| | Broken Arrow, OK |
| October 11 - 14, 2023 | Denver Coin Expo |
| | Denver, CO |
| November 10-12, 2023 | Great Southwest Coin Expo |
| | Marriott Pyramid Hotel, Albuquerque |
| January 19 - 20, 2024 | Tucson Invitational Coin & Currency Expo |
| | Tucson, AZ |

Albuquerque Coin Club



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A.C.C. Monthly Meeting Agenda

The club meets the last Monday of every month, except December. Meetings are held at UNM Continuing Education Building located at 1634 University Blvd. NE, Albuquerque. We encourage and welcome visitors.



ANA Member Club # C1063082

- 6:00 pm Open floor trading and socializing
- 7:00 pm Call to order
Educational Presentation
Club Business
- 8:00 pm Break, socializing and trading
1st Door prize and 50/50 drawing
Auction of numismatic items
2nd door prize
Payment of auction winnings



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