

# Pocket Change

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## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

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- Stone
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## Great Southwest Coin Expo

### A Success Despite the Weather

The wind blew. The rain and snow came down. Roads were closed and some dealers couldn't make the trip. No matter – the show went on and was an unqualified success.

Our Veterans Day weekend show was our first at the Crown Plaza hotel and the first for the hotel to host our type of show. There were some glitches, but the great staff at the hotel smoothed out the bumps to facilitate our operation. We will be working with them to refine our setup for the Spring show.



The weather definitely affected us. Several of our dealers from Colorado and Wyoming could not make the show because I-25 was closed in southern Colorado and northern New Mexico. Our great club volunteers moved tables, signs, electrical equipment, admissions materials, raffle equipment and prizes in the snow and cold on Thursday afternoon and set up into the evening. A similar herculean effort repeated itself on Sunday afternoon and evening in cold temperatures.



Speaking of volunteers, there were 27 great ones working to make everything happen. Rod Frechette was the point man for all aspects of the show. Tim Fuller signed up the volunteers for all of the necessary positions. Matt Peacock coordinated with the dealers. Let's not forget Terry Mulcahy and Ed Deye who managed the advertising. Other volunteers included: Jane Fuller, Peter Tabet, Byron Kesner, Jim Derrick, Tim Cox, Brian Smith, Daryl Wilson, Tom Stone, Alfred Gomez, Marian Wrage, John Saiz, Kathy O'Neill, Bill DeWeese, Bob Deurloo, Peggy Deurloo, Pat Vitale, Phil Vitale, Alex Demitrov, Steve Loftus, Patrick Hemphill, Walt Ostromecki and Chris Chavez. We were happy to welcome Rob Kelly, the ANA's photographer, to our show where he graciously took some great pictures for us. *(continued page 2)*



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

*(Coin Expo continued)*



Club president Jim Derrick added something special to the show proceedings by presenting three awards to club members on Saturday afternoon. Patrick Hemphill was awarded the Young Numismatist Program Award for his outstanding contributions to the Washington Kids Club in Reedy, California. Walt Ostromecki was awarded the first President’s Award for his outstanding contribution to the club’s youth program at our shows. Phil Vitale was awarded the Albuquerque Coin Club’s Life Member-

ship award for his continued support for the club in numerous positions over the past 10 years. In the overall picture of things, the show was a success. The facility was good. The dealers were happy with their sales. Every one of our attendees said they had a good time. The silent auction and raffle, while not as big as expected, were profitable for us. The club volunteers and hotel staff made everything come together. I think this spells success.



## **New Life Member**

Phil Vitale became the Albuquerque Coin Club’s 17th Life Member at ceremony during our Fall Great Southwest Coin Expo. Phil has performed in a number of roles over the years including Director, Vice President, President, ANA Representative and national ANA Outreach Programs Coordinator.

His certificate reads in part: **“Going beyond the normal call of duty you make the improbable happen with ease for everyone else. You are the embodiment of what is best in our club and our hobby.”**



## Member Profile

by: Phil Vitale

### Tom Stone

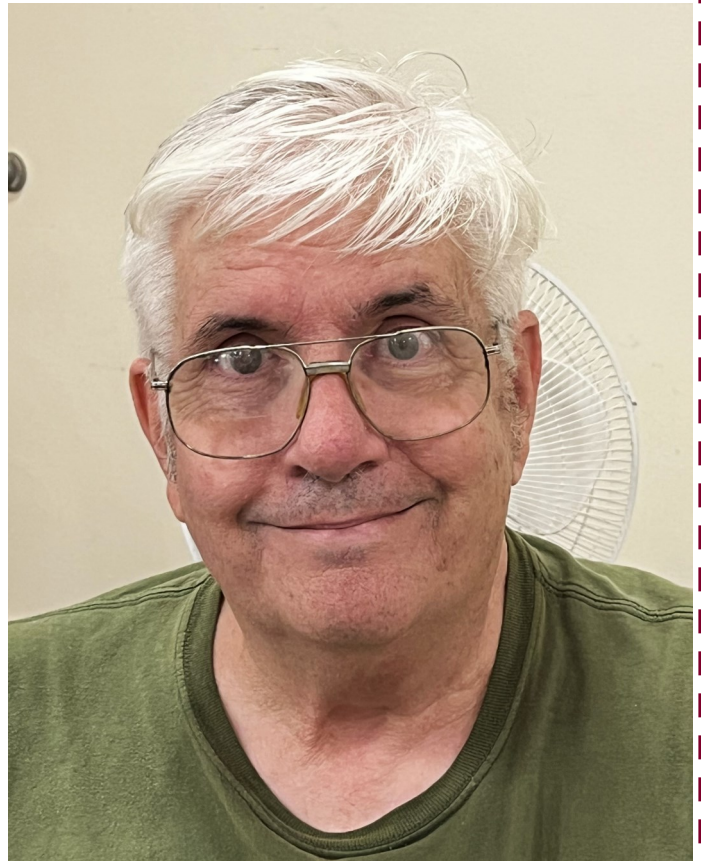
### *Dynamic Contributor*

Perhaps you've noticed a big guy with white hair at our meetings and events getting involved in much of what we do. You may have wondered: who is this guy? I'm happy to tell you about him; he is Tom Stone and he's a great asset to the club.

Tom was born and raised in Memphis, Tennessee. He enlisted in the Air Force right out of high school and spent the next 20 years doing a variety of jobs from communications, to plans and programs, to transportation. 15 years of his Air Force career were spent in Europe and the Middle East. He is a Gulf War veteran.

As a boy he earned a Boy Scout merit badge in coin collecting and it got him started in numismatics. He collected Lincoln cents, nickels, dimes, quarters and half dollars as well as small sized currency over the next 55 years. He has given up on collecting coins but continues to collect paper currency. He has been an active member of the Albuquerque Coin Club on and off for the last 16 years. He has been a director and club president, and is currently the "shed boss," helping us store and organize all of the stuff the club needs to operate with. He does not hesitate to jump in with both feet when the club is having a show or reaching out to the public.

Tom's other hobby is collecting stamps. He has been at it for 44 years and enjoys US Postal History dealing with announcements, bulletins and supporting philatelic materials. Tom is the member of five stamp clubs and the American Philatelic Society.



### REMINDERS

**Make your election vote count by getting your ballot in the mail ASAP!**

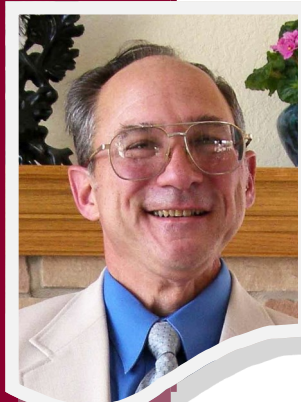
**Our November 25th meeting is your last chance to sign up for the Holiday Party**



## ANA News

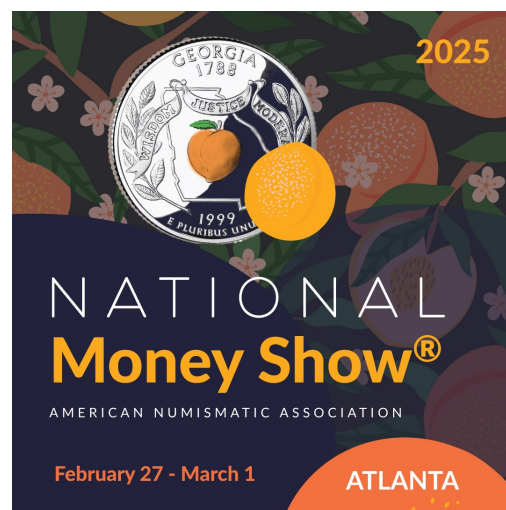
by: Phil Vitale

I was at the ANA headquarters this week, and it refreshed my appreciation for all the organization has to offer. The Money Museum, the Library and the educational opportunities are there to serve its members. Educational opportunities include Summer Seminar, Numisma Talks, and the updated Diploma Program (the next on-line course, Coin Grading, will be available in January).



The ANA has come up with a great end of year special for **new members** – just \$10 for a Gold membership. Please contact me if you're interested.

Our next ANA show is the National Money Show being held this year in Atlanta, GA. A few of us are planning to make the trip at the end of February. Let me know if you might be interested in joining Pat and I.



## October Presentation

by Phil Vitale

### US Philippine Coinage

Our October meeting saw Scott Bucholtz educating the membership on Philippine coinage during the territorial and commonwealth periods from 1903 to 1946. The Philippine islands were ceded to the United States as a result of the Spanish-American war in 1899. The Philippine coinage act of 1903 sought to alleviate a coin shortage on the islands and lead to the islands minting their own currency. The US initially minted Philippine coins with their denominations at US mints. From 1903 to 1936, the obverse had a liberty design and Philippine denomination. The reverse had a “Sovereign” shield, date and mintmark. In 1920, the US established a mint in Manila, Philippines. This facility produced Philippine coinage from then on.



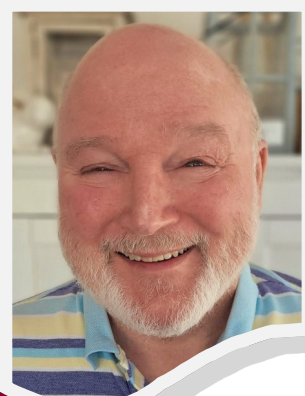
In 1936 the Philippines became a Commonwealth, and through 1945 the reverse shield was changed to reflect the new status.



## The Coin Cabinet

by: Jim Derrick

As I am writing this article, we are preparing for the **Great SW Coin Expo** which is scheduled for November 8-10 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Albuquerque. I hope that many of you were able to attend and participate or volunteer. Our shows are recognized across the SW and attended by many dealers, members and the public. Our dealer tables are sold out for the show in this new venue. **My thanks to all of the volunteers who worked at the show; and, to Show Director Rod Frechette, and Volunteer Manager Tim Fuller, for their outstanding planning and management. A well done to all!**



**During the show I will be presenting the first ever ACC “Young Numismatist Program Award” to honor member Patrick Hemphill, who resides in the Fresno, California area. The award recognizes the outstanding work Patrick is doing to educate youth about the field of numismatics.** Patrick is a leader in the Washington Kids Coin Club of Reedly, California. He provides coins to the kids and give and arranges numismatic presentations and learning at the YN meetings. He regularly attends our meetings by Zoom and serves at our club table during national numismatic events in the US. We thank you again Patrick for you exceptional membership and all you do for the ACC.

**I also plan to present the first ever “ACC President’s Award”, to recognize long-time member Walt Ostromecki, Past President, of the American Numismatic Association.** Walt, who also resides in Southern California, has attended at least one Great SW Coin Show annually for the past 10 plus years. During his visits, **Walt provides learning materials and coins for educating our Young Numismatist and leads the YN Treasure Hunt activity during the show.** Walt also covers his own travel expenses to provide these services to the ACC. He is an outstanding leader in numismatics and we are fortunate to receive his gifts of knowledge, education, and volunteerism he brings to our club. Thank you Walt, for all your participation and contributions to the ACC over the years.

**As Secretary Rod Frechette pointed out in his article, elections are underway for next year’s Board of Directors.** Please return the mail ballot with your votes with the enclosed envelope as soon as possible. These will be counted by the Election Committee at the November membership meeting. **Our Holiday/Award Dinner is a way for our members to celebrate together at the end of the year.** It is scheduled for 6:30 PM, December 9, 2024 at the Black Angus Restaurant on Wyoming, in Albuquerque. Please see Holiday Dinner Manager Peggy Wolff-Deurloo to sign up for the Dinner at the upcoming Nov. 25 meeting. **Have a safe and happy holiday season and thank you for your membership with the Albuquerque Coin Club.**

## Mia Duo Sestercius

by Rod Frechette



Nominations for all 4 club officers and 5 director positions were closed out at the October membership meeting. Unopposed nominations are : President Jim Derrick, V.P. Tim Fuller, Treasurer Pat Vitale, Secretary Rex Borders. The 5 director positions have 7 people vying for them: Rod Frechette, Tim Cox, Peter Talbot, Marian Wrage, John Saiz, Steve Loftus and Tom Stone. The Elections Chair, Bob Deurloo, is mailing out Ballots which must be individually mailed back in the SASE provided. All other ballots received by any other means are void.

Scott Bucholtz gave an excellent presentation on Philippine coinage as a US protectorate and as a Commonwealth. Lots of Q & A, followed by a great quiz. Thank you, Scott.



Time is running out to secure your spot at the Club's annual Holiday dinner. Members pay \$25 with the club paying the other half. Yns are \$15. Peggy Wolfe – Deurloo runs an excellent party at the Black Angus just south of Menaul on Wyoming on Monday December 9<sup>th</sup> no earlier than 6:30 pm.

It's SHOW TIME a few days from this writing. 90 tables sold out! All systems go... I will report on the aftereffects next month. Happy Thanksgiving!

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

## Pat's Pittance

by: Pat Vitale



As I am sitting here writing this, it is snowing and we have no electricity. What a change from just a few weeks ago. We had \$6750.50 in deposits for the month of October, mainly from the sealed bid auction of 2 Kisluk gold coins. A check that was never cashed from over a year ago has been voided and added \$1,479.84 back into our account. Expenses were \$4,346.87 for the month, mainly for costs associated with our upcoming show, leaving us with a closing amount of \$31,855.57 in the bank. These figures will all change rapidly as we are gearing up for the Great Southwest Coin Expo at the end of this week. The Vanguard account now has \$\$30,798.19 in it. The Club total's worth is \$62,653.76. As always, if you have any questions concerning your money, call me and I will do my best to answer them.

## 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 person and concurrently on Zoom. The Zoom invitation is

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**November 25, 2024**

**Membership Meeting**

**Speaker: Rex Borders**

Topic: Walking Liberty Half Dollar

**December 9, 2024**

**Holiday Party**

**January 27, 2025**

**Membership Meeting**

**Speaker: TBA**

Topic: TBA

**February 24, 2025**

**Membership Meeting Speaker: Brian Smith & Doug Wilson**

Topic: Mercury Dimes

### ANA EVENTS

**Feb 27-March 1, 2025**

**National Money Show**

Atlanta, GA

**June 21 - July 3, 2025**

**Summer Seminar**

Colorado Springs, CO

### UPCOMING AREA AND MAJOR COIN SHOWS

**February 21-23, 2025**

**61st El Paso Coin Show**

El Paso, TX

**March 8 - 9, 2025**

**Front Range Coin Club Show**

Boulder, CO

**April 5 - 7, 2025**

**The Vegas Show**

Las Vegas, NV

**April 11 - 13, 2025**

**Great Southwest Coin Expo**

Crowne Plaza Hotel, Albuquerque, NM

**July 11 - 13, 2025**

**Amarillo Coin & Currency Show**

Amarillo, TX

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## 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.

6:00 - 6:45 YN Meeting

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

Payment of auction winnings

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