

# **Young Numismatist's News Letter**

## **Albuquerque Coin Club**

**January 2025 News**

**The next YN meeting will be on February 16th, 2026. It will be at the UNM Continuing Education Building on University Street, from 6:00 PM to 6:45 PM. Same day and place as the monthly Albuquerque Coin Club meeting. At the February meeting there will be an elongated cent coin hunt. Each person attending will be able to hunt for elongated cents and wheat cents. There will also be a trivia contest with prizes. A show and tell session. So bring in a coin or bill from your collection and tell us about it. As well as a short class on elongated cents. If this will be your first meeting or if you missed a meeting don't worry we will catch you up and get you started on whatever projects you missed.**

### **Last Meetings Recap**

**We had an old Lincoln cent 1909 to 1940 coin hunt. A trivia contest, and class on the three cent nickel. During show and tell Serafin showed us a Mercury dime he had in his collection. Jace showed us a coin from South Africa he had in his collection.**



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Each Young Numismatist who came to the meeting received a proof set, a mint set, an ancient coin, wheat cents, and two members received a three cent nickel.



### Other News

Writers are wanted for the Young Numismatists News Letter! Write a short story about why you collect coins. You could even write an article about a certain types of coins or coin. Or anything about coins. We look forward to hearing from you. You can send your articles to me Peter at [hamer@hammers-africaners.com](mailto:hamer@hammers-africaners.com) or bring them to a meeting and we will put it in the news letter.

### Show and Tell

Don't forget to bring something coin related and tell us about it at the next meeting. A coin you found, bought or were given to you by someone. A coin that has a special meaning to you. A coin with a story behind it

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**Xavier received the Young Numismatics Rising Star Award for the year 2025. Which was presented to him by our club president Jim Derrick at one of our club breakfasts. He was chosen for the award for his hard work educating and helping others in the world of coin collecting.**



***See you at the next meeting! Bring your brother, your sister and your friends. Bring a whole bus full!***

***Remember you don't have to be a club member to participate! We welcome everyone! In the mean time, Happy Hunting!***

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### *Did You Know?*

**Elongated coins are a coin that has been flattened or stretched, and embossed or pressed with a new design. These coins are used many times as commemorative or souvenir tokens. It is common to find coin elongation machines in tourism spots, such as museums, amusement parks, zoos, and natural or man-made landmarks.**

**Elongated coins are also known as a pressed penny or smashed penny. The collecting of elongated coins is a branch of numismatics.**

**Elongated coins are also categorized as exonomia. Exonomia are items that are coin related but not coins.**

**The earliest elongated coin designer on record is Charles Damm, who created the design for the elongated coins available at the 1901 Pan American Exposition in Buffalo, New York. Our club even has a one dollar club buck elongated cent.**



**One of the many elongated coin machine located at the Albuquerque Zoo.**