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Sept. 28 & Oct. 26 BOD Nominations

November 30 BOD Election

December 7 Holiday Dinner & New BOD Induction



Mint Collaborations by Scott Bucholtz

Many people do not know this, but on just a few occasions, the US Mint has partnered with other nation mints for multi-coin collaboration projects. During June 2019, one such collaboration was announced between the Royal Canadian Mint (RCM) and the US Mint. The result was the Pride of Two Nations sets. The sets feature two of the most popular coins for each nation: the American Silver Eagle and the Canadian Silver Maple Leaf. Both are presented in Reverse Proof strikes (though the Maple Leaf is called a "Modified Proof" striking). The two-coin sets were release in both the US and Canada and the coins themselves are identical in both sets but the difference is in the packaging and quantities. The US Mint at West Point struck 110,000 American Silver Reverse Proof Eagles and the RCM struck 110,000 Modified Proof Maple Leaf coins. The US Mint packaged and sold 100,000 of the two-coin sets and the RCM offered a mere 10,000. With this project, the US Mint actually produced their first-ever bilingual (English and French) Certificates of Authenticity to go with the sets. To celebrate and protect the exact identity of the coins, third-party grading services such as NGC even released special labels featuring the flags of both nations and pedigree of the coin sets.



This produced a rare 4-coin set type for competitive registries (the two coins from the US Mint set and the two coins from the RCM set).

They are certainly not cheap or easy to acquire in top quality but produce a short set full of history, artistry, and value.

Two other international partnerships were created in the years following but this time between the US Mint and the Royal Mint of the UK. The 2021 Mayflower 400th Anniversary coins tells the story of the departure of the Mayflower from Britain and the arrival of the ship in the new world as viewed by a native Wampanoag family. The other was the 2024 Liberty and Britannia Coin and Medal Program and featured the head of Liberty and Britannia together on a single obverse of the coin and the sun rising over the ocean with outstretched trees on either side symbolizing harmony between our two nations. These sets were produced in both gold and silver making them a rare and valuable addition to any collection.

While mints regularly produce coins for other nations, only on rare occasions does the US Mint collaborate with another nation's mint. The results have been historic, beautiful artwork with value in both their metallic content and rarity.

Welcome to our New Members

Benjamin Martinez #2243YN

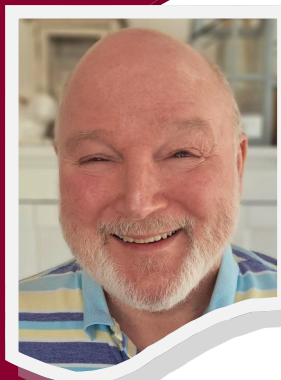
Editor's Note

by Rod Frechette

First, my apologies on the lateness of this newsletter. John Friar did a great job with the August issue under terrible technical conditions with our expiring software and preformed a miracle emergency software changaroo. I am not tech savvy, however, I knew how to do our Publisher format and use the club's Microsoft suite. Unfortunately, all of it expired on our newsletter laptop and Publisher has no support. It is almost dead. So, many times over many days I beat my head on the wall until the cavalry arrived. My daughter Maggie Renee does this for a living and helped us with Phil & Jim's questioning and approval. This is probably the last issue of the Pocket Change in this award winning format of the past decade.

The Coin Cabinet

by: Jim Derrick



STATE FAIR: The NM State Fair is over (September 10-20, 2026), and the competitive display judging has been completed. There were 19 participants who submitted numismatic displays, including 13 displays competing for ribbon awards in three (3) Sections (Youth, Adult, and Professional). ACC Past President's Tom Stone, John Fryar, and George Sanders, graded the competitive displays. The competitive winners were:

• In the Youth Section, Young Numismatist Caroline Wood, Won 1st Place for "My First Year of Coin Collecting."

• In the Adult Section, the 1st Place Winners were:

o Pat Vitale in the Mixed Class, titled "Celebrating Historic Birthdays".
o Scott Bucholtz in the U.S. Coin Class titled "Coining Medals of the U.S. Mint."
o Jim Derrick in the U.S. Bank Notes Class, titled "U.S. Continental Currency – Our First Federal Paper Currency;" and,
o Non-member, Sherman Preston, Won 1st Place in the Foreign Coin Class, titled "A Sea of Fish Scales."

• In the Professional Section, the 1st Place Winner was Rex Borders in the Mixed Class, titled "Special Currencies of World War II".

• 2nd Place Ribbon Winners were Brian Smith, Michelle Harkins, and Jim Derrick.

• John Saiz Won a 3rd Place Ribbon for his display.

• Jim Derrick won the "Bernie Linhart Special Grand Prize Award," for "U.S. Continental Currency - Our First Federal Paper Currency."

• The "Steve Acre Rosette People's Choice Award" Ribbon Winner was chosen at the completion of the Fair, based on the highest number of public votes for "Best Display" that are collected throughout the State Fair. The winner will be announced at the membership meeting.

Many thanks to the participants, judges, and the ACC staff who set up the display area for the State Fair. My thanks to Rod Frechette and Tim Cox for leading the State Fair Numismatic Display.

CLUB ELECTIONS: ACC nominations for the 2027 Board of Directors will be held during the September 28 and October 26 Membership Meetings. Past President Bill DeWeese will be leading the nominations during each meeting. Ballots will be mailed to all members following the October 26 Membership Meeting. Winners will be announced on November 30, 2026, during the final Membership Meeting of the year.

HOLIDAY/AWARDS DINNER: Please join us at the 2026 Holiday/Awards Dinner Monday, December 7, 2026, at the Santa Ana Star Casino-Hotel. Cost for the dinner event are $30 per adult and $15 per child. This fun event will celebrate. the Holidays and our Club Award Winners, say goodbye to the past Board Members, and welcome the new 2027 Board of Directors. Reservations are only available at the September and October Membership Meetings and seats are going quickly. The ACC is paying half the cost per person for members. I hope to see you there.



Paul Bradley	Michael Husted	Bernardo Jaramillo
Angelo Medina	Walt Ostromecki	Cynthia Biddlecomb
Matt Peacock	Alex Dimitrov	Kelvin Gillham
Kenny Sammut	Roger Walker	Keith Morgan
David Barber	Don Kagin	Eric Pino
Mary Lynn Garrett	Tim Cox	Mex Gunner
Linda Vitale	Eric Kibbey	Randall Kaszycki

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



Alaskan Fish Hook Money



Pat's Pittance by: Pat Vitale

Summer is just about over; the kids are back in school, and the State Fair is in progress. This month has been a slow one for Club finances. Our deposits totaled $421.06. Expenses were $911.31. Our closing checking amount was $43,343.03. The Vanguard accounts now total $68,448.35. Total monetary assets are $111,791.38. See you at the Fair; have fun.

Rex's Record

by Rex Borders



The August General Membership meeting was held August 31, 2026. There was an uptick in the YN participation with 6 youth in attendance. Peter Rechkemmer tutors and encourages these kids with various activities which this month included a 1960's decade Lincoln cent sorting event. Thanks to John Fryar for a penny donation.
Jim Derrick opened the business meeting with about 40 in attendance. He welcomed everyone attending including several on line. He introduced newcomers and guests.

The display judging had occurred on August 24 and Jim invited Tom Stone and Tim Cox to announce the State Fair ribbons winners. Jim's summarized this in his Pocket Change article. Thanks to those who participated. You've done our club proud. As a reminder, the NM State Fair ran from September 10-20. Byron Kesner coordinated the volunteers. If you did not volunteer, I hope you attended and visited the Numismatics area in the Creative Arts Building.

Jim Derrick happened to be the educational speaker for the evening. He gave an excellent presentation on Early American paper money including Colonial State and Continental Currency issues. He was later presented with an appreciation certificate and $25 in club bucks.

Phil Vitale briefed the members about representing the club at the World's Fair of Money which was just held in Pittsburg. Concluding business and an auction closed the night.

The Board of Directors met on September 5. Several important things of note:
Our finances are strong.
The Fall Show is on track for November 13-15.
The Spring Show 2027 venue (Marriott) has been contracted for an expanded show with upwards of 100 tables.

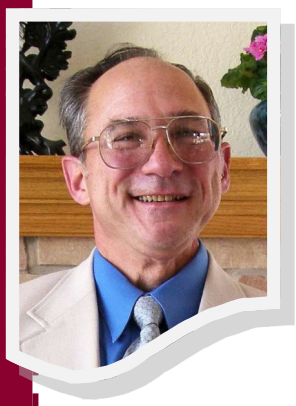
Awards and Rewards are used to thank and show appreciation to the winners. Please nominate any deserving candidates. Awards are presented at the Holiday Dinner.
The annual Holiday Dinner is scheduled for Dec 7. Seating is limited to 60 guests. About 50% of tickets have been sold. See Pat Vitale to sign up. We take club bucks.

The Education schedule in planned through 2027.
The club web site is frequently updated with latest news and information.

Our Election committee will begin the annual election process at the September General membership meeting. Nominations are accepted in September and October.

The club has contracted with UNM to continue meeting at the Continuing education center through all of 2027.

ANA News by: Phil Vitale



Our former President, Life Member, and all around hero, Phil, had knee replacement surgery this past month. He is, as always pushing himself hard and making great strides toward recovery. Hopefully, he wont cane me (he is using one) for pulling a pun on him!



Our treasurer Pat & Phil celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Pittsburg at the ANA World's Fair of Money. Well done you Love Birds!

ACC's Young Numismatist (YN) Program by Peter Rechammer

The next YN meeting will be on September 28, 2026. On the last Monday of the month. 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 September meeting there will be a foreign coin hunt. Each person attending will be able to hunt for coins and keep them for their collection. There will also be a trivia contest with prizes. Don't forget about the show and tell session. So bring in a coin or bill from your collection and tell us about it. Better yet bring a friend! If this is 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. We will also be giving out coin supplies and other coin items to help you store your coins.



In August we had six Young Numismatist come to the meeting. There was very spirited 1960's Lincoln cent coin hunt. The attending YN's hunted for 1960's P,D,S mints cents trying to complete a set of 1960 to 1969 Lincoln cents. They also received a United States Proof Set. Show and tell was done as well. Some coin books and coins supplies were also given out. Plus a sheet of twenty foreign coins with trivia questions about them.

Win a prize by writing a short story about why you collect coins or paper money. You could even write an article about a certain type of coin or coins. Or anything about coins or paper money. You can even include a photo or two. We look forward to hearing from you. You can send your articles to me Peter at hamer@hammers-africaners.com , or text me at 505-610-5707 or bring them to a meeting and we will put it in a future news letter.

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:

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September 28 **Membership Meeting** **Speaker: Byron Kesner**

Topic: History & Coinage of the Israeli Mint

*** *NOMINATIONS for Board of Directors****

October 26 **Membership Meeting** **Speaker: Tim Cox**

Topic: Allayettes, the 1st Coin

**** NOMINATIONS for Board of Directors****

November 30 **Membership Meeting** **Speaker: Michael Hajny**

Topic: Where is the Coin Market Heading?

**** ELECTION Board of Directors ****

December 7 **Holiday Meal & new BOD Induction** **Santa Ana Star Casino**

ANA EVENTS

March 4 — 6	**National Money Show**	**Virginia Beach, VA**
June ?19 = 30?	**Summer Seminar**	**Colorado Springs, CO**
August 10—14	**World's Fair of Money**	**Rosemont {Chicago}, IL**

UPCOMING AREA AND MAJOR COIN SHOWS

October 15 - 17	**U.S. Mexico Numismatic Assoc. Show**	**Scottsdale, AZ**
November 13 - 15	**Great Southwest Coin Expo; Marriott Pyramid**	**Albuquerque, NM**

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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	Young Numismatists Activities Coin hunt, Show and tell, Trivia contest, Numismatic class and more...
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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