Young Numismatist's News Letter

Albuquerque Coin Club

September 2026 News Letter

The next YN meeting will be on October 26, 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 October meeting there will be a Lincoln Wheat Cent 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.

LAST MONTHS MEETINGS RECAP

In Septembers meeting we had eight Young Numismatist come to the meeting. A record for us! There was very enthusiastic foreign coin hunt. The attending YN's hunted for coins from all over the world. They got to keep the ten coins they found, they also received a United States Proof Set. Each attending YN also received a sheet of twenty foreign coins with trivia questions about them. Show and tell was done as well with several YN's bring coins to show at the meeting.





Having fun hunting for coins.



Proud new owners of a United States proof set.

FANTASTIC NEWS

Getting a free youth membership with the American Numismatic Association is now faster and easier than ever. Students in grades K-12 no longer need to submit report cards, they just need to visit money.org/collectorquest and complete a simple online form. By answering questions about their collecting interests and securing parent permission, they'll unlock a FREE one-year Gold (digital) Young Numismatist membership, which includes:

* A digital 12-month subscription to The Numismatist magazine, the hobby's premier publication.

* Access to the Young Numismatists of America (YNA), a club for young collectors who want to learn, share discoveries, and grow in the hobby. YNA members also publish a numismatic magazine with research, articles, and insights written by YNs.

* Exciting online monthly auctions just for young collectors (bid with virtual YN Dollars) and the annual YN Live Auction each October.

* Access to interactive games, downloadable activities, and quizzes for all collecting levels.

* The chance to participate in projects to earn free coins, and the YN learning programs through Google Classroom.

* Connection with a community of young collectors!

If you know a student in grades K-12 who would enjoy coin collecting, please share this opportunity for a free ANA YN Gold membership and invite them to begin their Collector Quest today!

The 2026 New Mexico State Fair Albuquerque Coin Club Display



Every year the Albuquerque Coin Club has a coin display at the State Fair. The public can put their coins or paper money on display. They are also eligible to compete for ribbons from the fair. This year one of our Young Numismatists entered a display called "My First Year of Coin Collecting". Caroline Woods won a first place ribbon for her display. Congratulations Caroline!

Upcoming Club Events

2026 Membership Meeting Dates at UNM Continuing Education Center. Dates: 10/26, 11/30. Remember there's no regular meeting in December.

Fall Coin Show: November 13-15, 2026, Marriott Pyramid Hotel

Holiday Dinner: December 7, 2026 Santa Ana Star Hotel-Casino

Show and Tell

Don't forget to bring a coin or paper money and tell us about it at the next meeting. A coin you found, bought, or were given to you by someone. One that has a special meaning to you. A coin with a story behind it. It does not have to be like a book report, just a simple story about what you brought. As a bonus those who do get something for their effort.

Let's have a contest!

Still time to 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.

Did you know?

That you can volunteer at parks and receive numismatic prizes! In honor of the semiquincentennial, the 250th birthday of the United States this year, the ANA is inviting K-12 students to celebrate history by doing hands on service by joining Project America.
You can get more information about he program at MONEY,ORG/AMERICA250-PROJECT.

The Reason I Collect Coins

By Serafin Martinez

The reason I collect coins is because, at the flea market 2 years ago I was buying Pokemon Cards from someone. Then he asked me if I was interested in coins and I said yes, and he gave me an old coin. I thought it was very nice so I collected more coins. That's why I collect coins.



WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Times running out to volunteer. You can earn Some Club Bucks by volunteering to work at the Fall Coin Show in November. Shifts are two hours long. Available shifts are 10:00-12:00, 12:00-2:00, and 2:00-4:00. You can work one, two, or all three shifts. What will you be doing? Greeting people at the show, or help run and sell supplies at the Young Numismatists Supply Sales booth, or helping club members and coin dealers. It's a great way to meet other coin collectors and coin dealers. Just let Peter or Byron know at one of our meetings or text me at 505-610-5707. Remember to get your parents permission first!

See you at the next meeting! Bring your brother, your sister and your friends. Bring a whole car full! If you want you can even 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!





The Albuquerque Coin Club Young Numismatist Rising Star Award



Congratulations to Serafin and Natalia for receiving this year's 2026 Young Numismatist Rising Star award for your outstanding participation, learning and growth in the Albuquerque Coin Club Youth Numismatic program. To receive the Rising Star Award one has to be nominated by a club member and a recommendation submitted. After review and discussion the Club's Board has to cast a vote for the Young Numismatist to be selected.

What's this that came with my newsletter?





It's a blast from the past; A very short history of the Lincoln Cent. This is something the club was handing out to Young Numismatist at the Spring 2009 Coin Show. It's full of information about the history of the Lincoln Cent. It especially covers the new 2009 cents that came out that year. Looks like it could hold the answers to October's trivia contest. So don't forget to study up!



Don't forget to bring something for show and tell!