PRESENTATIONS

Let the Money Talk

Speakers will present a wide range of numismatic lectures to fellow hobbyists at the World’s Fair of Money in Chicago.

Money, in all its forms, has stories to tell. Speakers at the upcoming World’s Fair of Money®, to be held August 16-20 in Chicago, Illinois, know this well and are happy to share some of its tales. Their “Money Talks” presentations highlight ancient and medieval coinage, collecting trends and tips, international specimens, and more. These free programs will take place at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center. To learn more, contact ANA Numismatic Educator Sam Gelberd at 719-482-9846 or sgelberd@money.org.

Thursday, August 18

9 a.m. The Rise of the Medieval English Penny (Michael T. Shutterly)
The English penny emerged during the Dark Ages, before there even was an “England.” It became the most highly esteemed coin of Northern Europe. This presentation will examine how bits of silver from a remote island on the edge of civilization became the most important coins of their time.

Michael T. Shutterly is a “recovering attorney” and a collector who specializes in medieval and Roman Republican coinage. A successful exhibitor at the ANA’s World’s Fair of Money and other shows, he has written numerous articles and delivered multiple presentations on a variety of numismatic topics. An ANA life member, he is also a member of several national, regional, and local clubs and serves as an officer or director of multiple specialty organizations.

10 a.m. The Missing Link of José María Morelos y Pavón: In Search of the Elusive 4-Reales Coin (Allan J. Behul)
This talk will discuss the findings of Behul’s investigative work officially presented through the Numismatic Society of Mexico. Behul demystifies the enigmatic 4-reales coin of José María Morelos y Pavón—said to have been part of the insurgent coinage minted between 1811 and 1814.

A.J. Behul is an independent numismatic advisor, published author, and investigator. He has a master’s of business administration degree and is fluent in English, Spanish, and Slovak, and is intermediate in German. He graduated from the ANA’s Numismatic Diploma Program and is a member of the Numismatic Literary Guild.

11 a.m. Chopmarked Coins—A Cross-Cultural Numismatic Story (Colin J. Gullberg)
This presentation will focus on chopmarked coins, the silver pieces used in Chinese trade during the Qing dynasty and early Republican periods. The talk will detail the history of these pieces, their prices, and how to build a collection of chopmarked coins.

Colin Gullberg is president and editor-in-chief of THE CHOPMARK NEWS, the only publication devoted to the study and appreciation of chopmarked coins. He is the author of CHOPMARKED COINS—A History, which is the second book ever written on the subject. Gullberg is from Kingston, Ontario, Canada and currently lives in Taipei, Taiwan.

12 p.m. The Draped Bust/Small Eagle Dollars of 1795-1798: New Research Findings (Harry E. Salyards)
Harry E. Salyards will present evidence, based on seven years of research and actual counts of PCGS-certified coins, that Draped Bust/Small Eagle dollars of 1795-98 are scarcer across the board than generally assumed.

Harry E. Salyards has been a collector for over 60 years and an ANA member for over 40. He first became interested in early dollars when he assisted Q. David Bowers in research for his 1993 SILVER DOLLARS AND TRADE DOLLARS OF THE UNITED STATES. A retired family physician, he has edited the Early American Coppers’s club journal, PENNY-WISE, since 1986. He is also a member of the American Numismatic Society, the Liberty Seated Collectors Club, and several other numismatic organizations.

1 p.m. Good Luck Pieces & Magic Amulets (Simcha Kuritzky)
This talk will describe the wide variety of amulets available to collect from many different cultures from the Renaissance to contemporary times. These specimens have a variety of design elements and symbols and include everything from hand-engraved pendants to mass-produced commercial medals and tokens.

Simcha Kuritzky serves as the ANA district representative for Maryland, edits the Maryland State Numismatic Association’s journal, and is involved in several other numismatic organizations. He has written dozens of numismatic articles and given numerous presentations to local clubs and organizations. He’s consistently exhibited at coin shows since age 12 and judged exhibits at local and national shows since attaining ANA certification in 1989. Kuritzky has won the most cumulative ANA summer convention exhibit class awards.

2 p.m. Ten (or So) Trends That Are Shaping Coin Collecting & the Market in 2022 (Steve Roach)
 Coin World’s editor-at-large Steve Roach will lead a lively discussion about some of the biggest trends in coin collecting and the current rare coin market. The presentation will also feature how the stories making news today might impact the way we collect coins tomorrow.

Steve Roach is a lifelong coin collector and editor-at-large of COIN WORLD, the world’s largest coin-hobby publication.
grading. In June 2022, he returned to China since 2010. Corley has been awarded the Panda first-strike ceremonies in Shanghai. As a 20-year veteran coin grader at Numismatic Guaranty Company (NGC), Michael E. Corley has been grading Chinese coins of all the Ptolemite rulers, beginning with Ptolemy, who was a general of Alexander the Great and appointed satrap of Egypt after Alexander’s death in 323 B.C. In 305 B.C., he declared himself Pharaoh Ptolemy I, and the Egyptians soon accepted Ptolemaic leadership and cultural aspects. This family ruled Egypt until the Roman conquest of 30 B.C., with Cleopatra VII as the last active ruler of the dynasty.

Jeffrey A. Amelse began collecting coins in the 1960s after his father brought home an 1883 “No Cents” Liberty nickel from work. Around 1982, Amelse began collecting U.S. large cents, and he holds a top collection of early, middle, and late dates. His passion for copper led him to collect Byzantine bronzes by die variety, and he has one of the best holdings in private hands. He is a member of the Chicago Coin Club.

3 p.m. Laura Gardin Fraser Versus the U.S. Mint: Artistic Expression in Opposition to Efficiency in Coin Production (Robert Bair)

This presentation will examine Laura Gardin Fraser’s struggles with the U.S. Mint regarding her 1947 Douglas MacArthur coin designs for the Philippines. This disagreement is a classic tale of numismatic artistic vision and design clashing with practical coin-production concerns.

Robert “Bob” Bair has been involved in numismatics since 1956, first as a collector, then as a coin dealer starting in 1987. As a boy growing up in northwestern Wisconsin in the 1950s, he began collecting coins that he received from his newspaper route, and a lifelong passion was born. Bair holds master’s degrees in U.S. history (1970) and educational administration (1994).

4 p.m. Modern Chinese Coins & Panda Show Medals (Michael E. Corley)

This talk will dive into artistic comparisons between China’s official legal-tender Panda coins and Show Pandas. Highlights will include an overview of the important contributions from Chinese artists Chen Jian, Yu Ming, and Zhou Xi Hua, who served as designers and engravers. The presentation will also include photos of Show Panda first-strike ceremonies in Shanghai.

As a 20-year veteran coin grader at Numismatic Guaranty Company (NGC), Michael E. Corley has been grading Chinese coins since 2008 and has participated in NGC’s on-site grading events in China since 2010. Corley has been awarded the title of director of modern Chinese coin grading. In June 2022, he returned to the United States and is happy to share his experiences with China’s official mints, designers of official Panda releases, and first-strike ceremonies.

5 p.m. South Korean Coins in the Era of Development: An Overview (Mark Lovmo)

This presentation will provide an overview of Mark Lovmo’s new book, South Korean Coins in the Era of Development, released by iAsure Publishing Group (Journal of East Asian Numismatics). Lovmo’s book relates this almost entirely unknown history in the English language for the first time.

Edina, Minnesota, resident Mark Lovmo is a collector, writer, and enthusiast of South Korean coins. He has written articles for CoinWeek online and COINAGE magazine, as well as four articles on this subject for the Journal of East Asian Numismatics. Lovmo has been gathering information and writing about South Korean coins for the past 10 years in preparation for his first book, SOUTH KOREAN COINS IN THE ERA OF DEVELOPMENT.

Friday, August 19

9 a.m. Bronze Coins of the Ptolemaic Dynasty (Jeffrey A. Amelse, Ph.D.)

This presentation will examine bronze coins of all the Ptolemites rulers, beginning with Ptolemy, who was a general of Alexander the Great and appointed satrap of Egypt after Alexander’s death in 323 B.C. In 305 B.C., he declared himself Pharaoh Ptolemy I, and the Egyptians soon accepted Ptolemaic leadership and cultural aspects. This family ruled Egypt until the Roman conquest of 30 B.C., with Cleopatra VII as the last active ruler of the dynasty.

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10 a.m. A Decade of Academic Research on the Detection of Counterfeit Coins (Ching Y. Suen, Ph.D.)

The detection of counterfeit coins is challenging due to their small size and ever-improving forgery technology. This talk will summarize a decade of research and present several image measurement methodologies to detect fake coins automatically via several techniques. Many samples have been tested, and a near 100-percent accuracy has been achieved. Examples will be demonstrated during this talk.

Dr. Ching Y. Suen is the founder and codirector of CENPARMI and the Concordia University honorary chair on artificial intelligence and pattern recognition. He has been collecting coins for many years. He is the emeritus editor-in-chief of the journal PATTERN RECOGNITION, an advisor or associate editor of five other journals, and editor of a new book series on language processing and pattern recognition.

11 a.m. The Gold Standard for Coin Security (Scott A. Travers & Maurice Rosen)

The global pandemic raised concerns about a lack of access to valued collectibles stored in safe-deposit boxes due to lengthy, temporary bank branch closures. This presentation will carefully weigh the pros and cons of safe-deposit-box storage, while also considering alternatives such as home safes and depositories. Tips for home and travel security for coin collectors will also be included, as well as how governments guard their gold. Environmental variables and coin-holder options will also be featured.

Scott A. Travers is a former ANA vice president (1997-99) who has written The Coin Collector’s Survival Manual (Revised 7th Edition) and six other award-winning coin books published since 1984 in 43

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12 p.m. Strategies to Dispose of Your Collection (Rod Gillis)
Many numismatists do not know what will become of their collections after they pass on. Often, a hobbyist’s spouse and/or children are not familiar with numismatics, nor are they the least bit interested. If a collector dies without a specific strategy, then their family is left with a big mess. Should you sell your collection before passing? If not, how can you help your relatives liquidate your collection upon your demise? This talk will answer these questions and more.

Rod Gillis earned a bachelor’s degree in history and education from the University of Maryland. Prior to joining the ANA staff in 2006, he taught at Lin-Wood Public School in Lincoln, New Hampshire. As the Association’s education director, Gillis creates videos and activities for the ANA’s website; teaches a course for educators called “Coins in the Classroom”; develops workshops and educational programs; and works with young numismatists to promote interest in the hobby.

1 p.m. The Money of Hawaii (Douglas Mudd)
This presentation will serve as an introduction to the money of Hawaii, from the unification of the islands by King Kamehameha I in 1810 to the present. This fascinating exploration of Hawaiian numismatic history will encompass traditional money, coinage, and paper currency.

Douglas Mudd is the curator and director of the ANA’s Edward C. Rochette Money Museum and a former collection manager for the National Numismatic Collection in the Smithsonian Institution’s National Museum of American History. He holds a master’s degree in American history and wrote All the Money in the World, published by HarperCollins in 2006.

2 p.m. How to Turn a YN’s Collecting Interest into a Hobby (Abigail Zechman)
It can often be challenging to get a child’s interest in coins to go any further than a casual trend. This presentation will give you some ideas on how to get your youngster more involved in numismatics and help you turn their collecting interest into a hobby passion.

Abigail “Abby” Zechman has been heavily involved in the numismatic world since she was 10 years old. She is an award-winning exhibitor and has written articles that have appeared in magazines such as FUN Topics and Professional Coin Grading Service’s Young Collectors Corner. In 2018 Zechman was recognized as the ANA’s Young Numismatist of the Year. Her most recent accomplishment was being elected to the Florida United Numismatists’ (FUN) Board of Directors.

3 p.m. Building a Numismatic Library for Pleasure and Profit (Leonard Augsburger)
The landscape of numismatic information has changed greatly in the past few years, and today’s collector faces more choices than in previous generations. This talk will sift through printed and online sources and direct collectors to the best resources to complement their numismatic journeys.

Leonard “Len” Augsburger serves as project coordinator for the Newman Numismatic Portal, which is operated through Washington University in St. Louis and underwritten by the Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society. Augsburger has written widely in the numismatic field and has won three Book of the Year awards from the Numismatic Literary Guild. He is a member of many numismatic organizations, vice president of the Numismatic Bibliomania Society, and president of the Liberty Seated Collectors Club.

4 p.m. The Birth of the Netherlands (Lawrence C. Korchnak, Ph.D.)
During the Franco-Dutch War, Bernhard von Galen, the bishop of Munster, laid siege to the city of Groningen. In a historic confrontation that tested the strength of the fledgling United Provinces, the Dutch claimed victory over von Galen in what many historians consider the birth of the Netherlands. The author of Siege Coins of the World 1453–1902, Lawrence C. Korchnak will tell the story of the 1672 siege of Groningen and celebrate the defense of the city by tracing its numismatic legacy of siege coins and remarkable series of siege medals.

Dr. Lawrence C. Korchnak is a longtime avid numismatist whose main area of specialization is siege money. He enjoys sharing his passion with others by speaking at local, regional, and national conventions, as well as delivering online presentations. Korchnak has written An Introduction to Siege Money, Dutch Sieges of the 16th and 17th Century, The Shippingport Ferry Token, and several NPR Money Talks for the ANA. He has served as the ANA numismatic ambassador to the Netherlands and is currently western Pennsylvania’s ANA district representative.

5 p.m. Beautifully Toned Coins: Past, Present, and Future (A. Ronald Sirna Jr. & Andy Kimmel)
This talk will examine the significant rise in the importance of eye appeal in the marketplace relative to beautiful toning. Information regarding natural- and artificially-toned (NT and AT) coins and the different types of common toning examples will be included, along with pricing analysis. Whether you are new to collecting or a seasoned toning specialist, this presentation will expand your knowledge base and update your toning perspective.

A. Ronald Sirna Jr. is the founder of the Toned Coin Collectors Society and has been an active collector since 1949. He served as the ANA General Counsel from 2007 to 2012 and in the same capacity for other numismatic organizations. Sirna has previously taught classes at the ANA’s Summer Seminar on several occasions and is scheduled to instruct a course at the 2022 Summer Seminar.

Andy Kimmel is an ANA life member and a Professional Numismatists Guild dealer. He has presented at Summer Seminar twice, written extensively about the subject of toned coins, and was one of the first dealers to promote them on a national scale through a monthly mailing list. Kimmel has also given dozens of lectures on the subject of toned coins at major national shows and is considered one of the gurus in the burgeoning toned-coin marketplace.