

## **MONEY TALKS**

Presentations by numismatic experts inform and inspire collectors.

oney, in all its forms, has stories to tell. Speakers at the National Money Show® are happy to share some of these fascinating tales. Their "Money Talks" presentations highlight U.S. coinage, treasure from shipwrecks, military numismatics, and more. These free programs will take place in the South Hall of the Phoenix Convention Center, Room 154. To learn more, call eLearning Program Coordinator Paula Knepper at 719-482-9852, or email *pknepper@money.org.* 

#### Thursday, March 2 10 a.m. Coin World+ (Jake Utz)

The Coin World+ app offers portfolio management, an interactive wishlist, and the ability to shop and sell, all from your mobile device. Coin World+ Operations Manager Jake Utz will explain the app's features, how it works, the functionality of the Coin World+ near-field communication (NFC) tag, and the app's numerous benefits.

Jake Utz is from Troy, Ohio, and has been with Coin World and Amos Media for five years. He studied business law and human resources management at the University of Toledo and currently serves as the Coin World+ client service manager.

### **11 a.m.** Remember the Ladies (Michael T. Shutterly)

The Severan emperors are well known, but their empresses remain hidden in the shadows. Yet, the Severan Dynasty only lasted as long as it did due to the empresses who worked to keep the Roman Ship of State on course. This presentation will survey the significant Severan empresses and the leading roles they played.

Michael T. Shutterly is a "recovering attorney" and a collector who specializes in Roman Republican, early medieval, and Byzantine coinage. A successful exhibitor at the ANA's World's Fair of Money<sup>®</sup> and other shows, he has written numerous articles and delivered presentations on a range 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 several specialty organizations.

### *1 p.m.* The Story of the U.S. Trade Dollar: 1873-85 (Walter Ostromecki)

This program offers a historical overview of the Trade dollar—a non-regular U.S. Mint silver bullion dollar established by the Coinage Act of 1873. This talk will cover the coin's origin, intended purpose, value, and use in commerce outside the United States, as well as its legal-tender status, value, collector interest, and many other topics. The presentation will conclude with the story behind the rare 1884 and 1885 proof strikes unknown to collectors until 1908.

An ANA past president and professional educator for 38 years, Walt Ostromecki is a prolific collector, writer, speaker, and youth-family involvement activities educator. He has received numerous top numismatic honors and awards, including the ANA's 2020 Farran Zerbe Memorial Award for Distinguished Service and a Numismatic Ambassador award from NumIsmatic News in 1988.

### *2 p.m.* The Medal in America: Medals & American History (Douglas Mudd)

The Edward C. Rochette Money Museum's newest exhibit does not survey medals exclusively from an art history perspective—it also examines how medals tell the story of the United States. The exhibit comprises a range of objects—from the first medal that references the New World to modern American art medals—and focuses on the artistry, production, history, and creators of these pieces. This talk will discuss the Museum's exhibit and explore the historical context of items on display.

Douglas Mudd is the curator and director of the ANA's Edward C. Rochette Money Museum in Colorado Springs, Colorado. He is responsible for developing, planning, and creating content for the Museum's exhibition program, as well as maintaining the organization and care of the ANA collections. He has created dozens of numismatic exhibits for the Museum and for the ANA's semi-annual conventions. These exhibits were recently redesigned for online access and are available at **money.org/money-museum**.

#### *3 p.m.* Jenny Penny's Cents: A Historical View of the Lincoln Cent (Jenise Borrasso)

This presentation will focus on the many aspects of the Lincoln cent series and the numerous changes it has seen over the past 100 years. This talk will review many subtopics, including the Lincoln cent's history, design, and composition changes, as well as key rarities. Some interesting related idioms and expressions will also be discussed. Come and enjoy this deep dive into Lincoln cents!

Jenise "Jenny Penny" Borrasso was born and raised in San Francisco, California. She was excited when her father, a U.S. Marine Corps veteran, introduced her to numismatics. Starting with Lincoln cents, she developed a deep passion and love for coins. A current student of the ANA's Numismatic Diploma Program, she is on the path to becoming a numismatic scholar. She enjoys sharing her interest in cents with friends, family, and strangers.



#### Friday, March 3 10 a.m. Fire & Coin Preservation:

A Reflection (Ron Brown) During the evening of September 9,

2020, the 1,300-plus homes in the community of Berry Creek, California, were destroyed in a tragic fire that killed 17 people. Ron Brown's home and his belongings were also destroyed by the infamous Bear Fire of Berry Creek and Oroville. Brown will share his harrowing experience of the devastating event, as well as preservation and storage advice.

Ron Brown started collecting coins at the age of 10 in Wisconsin, He is a U.S. Air Force disabled service-connected veteran, as well as a life member and district representative of the ANA. He is a life member of Florida United Numismatists (FUN) and a member and regional representative of CONECA. Brown specializes in U.S., Canadian, and New Zealand die varieties. He was also the special collaborator and contributor for five editions of THE BOOK OF CANADIAN COINS AND THEIR VARIETIES. HIS collecting interests include U.S. coins and coins of the British Commonwealth, with a focus on Canadian and New Zealand's pre-decimal coinage.

### *11 a.m.* Mystery Ships with Bank Notes Salvaged, Looted, or Lost (Roland Rollins)

After a trip to an International Paper Money Show in Kansas City, Roland Rollins and his son became intrigued by stories of currency consignments that were lost or confiscated during shipping. This presentation will review the mysteries of all known missing bank-note consignments transported by ship from 1822 to 1979.

Roland Rollins is a member of the ANA, International Bank Note Society (IBNS), Society of Paper Money Collectors (SPMC), Souvenir Card Collectors Society (SCCS), and Oklahoma City Coin Club. He has penned over a dozen articles that have been published by the ANA, SCCS, and SPMC, as well as several award-winning IBNS articles. His books Security FEATURES ON MOD-ERN BANKNOTES and 200 YEARS OF BANKNOTES SALVAGED, LOOTED OR LOST FROM SHIPWRECKS include several test note catalogs.

### **1 p.m.** Treasures in Your Pocket (Sam Gelberd)

This presentation will review some of the topics covered so far in the column of the same name in the ANA's monthly publication, *The Numismatist*. The talk will feature errors, die varieties, and other oddities that have been highlighted. Participants will be invited to ask questions about these types of coins, and the presentation will include on-site examination.

Sam Gelberd is the ANA's numismatic educator. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Florida Atlantic University and was previously a middle school social studies teacher in South Florida. He travels to K-12 schools, libraries, coin clubs, national conventions, and anywhere else the ANA requires educational outreach programs, especially for activities concerning Young Numismatists (YNs). He also fields inquiries (as numerous as they are varied) from the general public about numismatic-related objects, rare or otherwise.

# **2 p.m.** Queen Anne's Treasure: The Story of the Frigate HMS *Feversham* at Scatarie Island in 1711 (Joseph Fiorentina)

This presentation will offer a firsthand account of the treasure-recovery operation at the wreck site of the HMS *Fe*- versham. The talk will highlight the 1652 Massachusetts silver coins and include a brief history of the ship and its captain. In his book American Coin Treasures and Hoards, Q. David Bowers wrote: "In strictly numismatic terms, the number of important American coins found [on the HMS Feversham] marks this wreck as one of the most significant dating to colonial times."

Joseph Fiorentino is a shipwreck explorer, Professional Association of Scuba Divers (PADI) master scuba-diver trainer, and retired business owner. From 1984 to 2010, he was the lead diver for a group that held 16 Nova Scotia Treasure Trove claims, including the claim for the wreck site of the HMS FEVERSHAM—a British frigate lost at Scatarie Island, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia in October 1711. For the past three years, Fiorentino has been researching the history of the HMS FEVERSHAM and Captain Robert Paston for the book QUEEN ANNE'S TREASURE by Captain Robert MacKinnon.

#### *3 p.m.* The Short Snorter of Major General Clayton Lawrence Bissell, U.S. Army Air Service (Thomas J. Sparks)

Major General Clayton Lawrence Bissell was an ace pilot in the 148th Aero Squadron during World War I and assistant chief of staff for the Air Intelligence War Department general staff during World War II. He later was head of the War Department Historical Program. His short snorter (a bank note signed by pilots or officers a person has served with) is 64 feet long, consists of 141 bank notes (including sets of rare Allied Military Currency perforated specimens), and is signed by more than 100 Allied generals, admirals, and senior political figures of that era.

Thomas J. Sparks is the founder of the educational nonprofit Short Snorter Project. His father introduced him to coin collecting in 1966, and THE NUMISMATIST introduced him to short snorters in 2002. He began his mission to educate the general public about the short snorter tradition by launching his website in 2007. He later published a digital book on the subject in 2020 for the 75th anniversary of the end of World War II. He is a member of the Boeing Employees Coin Club, the Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association, the American Numismatic Association, the Museum of Flight, and the National WWII Museum.