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# Your NEWSLETTER



August YN Auction

The August YN Auction is here! View the lots below, and jump to the [YN Auction](#) page to place a bid with your YN Dollars.

Not sure what YN Dollars are or how to earn them? Visit [How to Earn YN Dollars](#).

***Click to enlarge auction lots***



**Lot 1: 1922 (P) Peace Dollar, About Uncirculated**

*No Reserve*



**Lot 2: 1967 Great Britain Three Pence, Uncirculated, KM #900**

*No Reserve*



**Lot 3: 1988 NBC Summer Olympics, Medal with ribbon**

*No Reserve*

*YNs may bid on one or all items with YN Dollars. Bids must be placed no later than August 15. In case of a tie, the first person to submit the winning bid will receive the lot.*

## YN Programs Moving to Google Classroom, September 1

To make the process for YN Programs easier, birthday greeting requests, YN dollar requests, Coin Explorer projects, Money Study Buddy projects, Currency Connector projects, Advanced YN projects, and monthly auctions will all be on Google Classroom starting September 1.

If you currently have an account on the eLearning Academy on Blackboard, you will automatically be enrolled in Google Classroom. If you have not signed up for the Academy yet and would like access to the programs, click the button below.

[Register for ANA eLearning Academy](#)

## Collecting Friends: Odd Words

*In a new blog installment from Dennis Tucker and Steve Roach, the pair discuss working with Cub Scouts to discuss interesting words found on various coins.*

**Steve:** Which coin has "Rizz?"

When the Oxford University Press announced its word for the year for 2023 I'll admit that it was one that was new to me: Rizz. UrbanDictionary gives some colorful examples of the word in application which you can review at your leisure, but explains more broadly:



*"Rizz actually comes from the word charisma, where in southern Baltimore they've started to shorten it, to "rizzma" (the noun replacing charisma) and to "rizz" (the action of showing charisma), through Twitch live streamer Kai Cenat's editor, a*

*resident of south Baltimore, he started putting rizz in the compilation thumbnails and the word was adopted all over the United States."*

Read "Odd Words"

2024

Live YN Auction

## Register for the Annual Live YN Auction

The 10th Annual Live Young Numismatist Auction is scheduled to take place Saturday, October 12.

One of the best benefits of being an ANA YN is the opportunity to participate in the annual live YN Auction each year. It's a wonderful learning experience that allows you to feel the excitement and yes, the pressure you'd experience bidding on items (only YN Dollars are accepted in the YN Auction). Plus, you'll have the opportunity to win some treasures!

There are a total of 110 lots which includes six categories: U.S. Coins (Lots 1-27), World Coins (Lots 28-51), Exonumia (Lots 52-72), Paper Money (Lots 73-92), Books & Albums (Lots 93-100) and Random Grab Bags (Lots 101-110)

Bidding generally starts low but doesn't stay there for long. Many lots go for \$50-\$100, but some fetch hundreds if not thousands of dollars. It is important for all participants to do their due diligence and research the lots they are interested in to prepare for the auction.

Keep your eye on the ANA eLearning Academy "YN Programs" for the 2024 Auction Catalog, which will be posted soon. And keep earning those YN Dollars so you'll

have more funds to bid on your favorite lots!

**When:** Saturday, October 12, 10 a.m. (MT)

**Where:** Online! YNs must have a Google account to participate in the auction

[Create a Google Account](#)

**To Register:** Email [sroach@money.org](mailto:sroach@money.org) your name, address, phone number and screen name from your Google account. Those who register will receive a confirmation email.

To ensure that auction dollars are received prior to the event, YNs are encouraged to **submit all YN dollar requests no later than Friday, September 27.**

YN Dollars are the **only** form of payment accepted for auction items. Only current ANA members in grades K-12 may participate.



## The Meiji Empire Coinage

**By Gil Kissling**

Many countries across the world have minted interesting coins. One of the most interesting, in my opinion, being the Japanese-Meiji Empire coins. These coins were produced from 1868-1912 and are remembered for their distinct intertwining serpent pictured on the obverse of the coin. The Meiji currency was initiated just before the Meiji Civil War in 1868 which brought back an imperial rule to Japan under Emperor Meiji. The new monetary system was based on the Japanese yen but split into

subsidiary units called sen and rin. One sen equaled exactly 1/100th of a yen, whereas a rin was 1/1000th of a yen.

[Continue Reading "The Meiji Empire Coinage"](#)

## ANA College Scholarship Recipients

The ANA has awarded 2024 college scholarships to Casey Hackford-Peer and Ross Koenig. Each winner will receive a \$1,000 scholarship to use toward tuition at an institution of their choice. The scholarship can be used for tuition, books, or supplies directly related to class requirements. Recipients with a full class schedule, who maintain a B average throughout their higher education, can receive the \$1,000 scholarship up to four years.



"The annual scholarship provides the American Numismatic Association an opportunity to recognize young numismatists making an impact in the world," says ANA Education Director Christian Strayhorn, "not only in numismatics, but also in their own fields. By assisting these fine recipients with higher education, it is our hope to see them continue to excel at a high level and share their passions for collecting."

[Read College Scholarship Press Release](#)

## Coin-Grading Basics

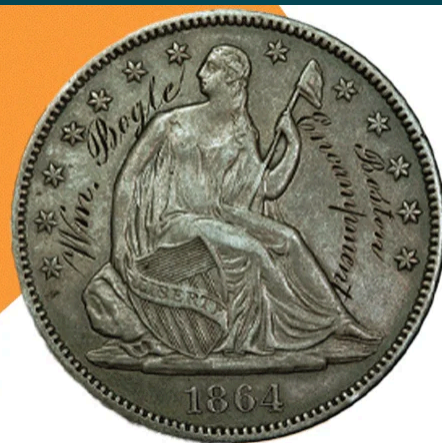
From the Reading Room

A coin's grade is defined as the labeling and categorizing of its condition or state based on wear and handling. It is the main determining factor of a coin's value.

Until recent decades, coin grading wasn't a standardized practice. Dealers determined grades using instinct, prior knowledge, and personal observations.

In the 1950s, coin values sharply increased. Slight difference in grade meant a considerable price difference. For example, the 1841 copper large cent is worth \$19 in a Good grade but jumps to \$250 in About Uncirculated and \$950 in Mint State-63.

[Continue Reading "Coin-Grading Basics"](#)



**Attend NumismaTalks,**  
*Monthly Webinar Series*

NumismaTalks, an ANA webinar series, will be presented by a rotating array of top industry experts. Part of the ANA eLearning Academy, NumismaTalks consist of hour-long presentations, 12-1pm MT, on the second and fourth Thursday of the month. *All NumismaTalks are recorded and will be available to members only on our eLearning Academy platform.*

## **August 8**

### **LIVE from the World's Fair of Money® – "Silver Coinage of the Tetrarchy: All Hail the Argenteus!"**

Presented by Kirk Van Brunt

Diocletian is famous for many accomplishments, one of which was the creation of the Tetrarchy. Another was the resurrection of high quality silver coins in the form of the Argenteus. Why? What was the emperor thinking? This presentation explores this question and examines the history and purpose behind the coin.

## **August 22**

### **"Gobrecht's Ladies – Seated Liberty coinage Past, Present and Future"**

Presented by Russ Bega

Liberty Seated coinage is fascinating yet often misunderstood and overlooked. In this lecture we will delve into the design history of the series including the inspiration of the Britannia motif, the symbolism of the goddess of liberty and her accoutrements using examples from ancient coinage and art. We will then pivot to the design history including the life of Christian Gobrecht and his rivalries in the Mint. Finally, an overview of the series including rarities, oddities and collecting strategies.

[Register for NumismaTalks](#)

## **Celebrate Your Special Day with the ANA**

The ANA wants to help you celebrate your special day. During your birth month, please log on to the ANA eLearning Academy to request your special coin and 20 YN Dollars and provide your full mailing address. Remember, YN Dollars can be used in monthly and annual auctions.

If you haven't registered for the Academy yet, it's easy! You will need an eLearning Academy login to participate in YN programming moving forward.



It is required that you **make the request during your birth month**. Otherwise, you have to wait until next year to receive goodies.

[Register for ANA eLearning Academy](#)

# THE Numismatist



## The YN Perspective

### Close to Home

*Hometown exonomia combines local and numismatic interests*

The YN Perspective from the August 2024 *Numismatist* by Kellen Hoard

For many of us, our hometowns are closely intertwined with who we are. Your hometown may be where you grew up, went to school, worked, or raised a

family. You may still live there, or have left (and miss it), or have left (and don't miss it at all). Many of your values, beliefs, and opinions about the world were likely formed there. It is possible that you know it better than anywhere else on earth. Hometowns hold particular significance for each of us by virtue of our distinctive relationships with them.

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## Own a Piece of History from the Money Museum

Join the monthly ANA Money Museum Auction on eBay, **August 15-22**.

Collectors will have a week to review the items – all of which are duplicate, mostly low-value specimens already represented in the Money Museum collection. (No permanent items from the collection are being sold.)

**ANA members receive a 20% discount on their winnings bids!** All proceeds will be used to support the Museum's educational mission.



Money Museum auctions take place every third Thursday of the month. **YN Dollars are NOT allowed to be used to purchase these deaccessioned items – YN Dollars can only be used to "purchase" items in the official ANA YN Auctions held each month.**

[View the Money Museum eBay Store](#)



# How to Earn YN Dollars

YN Dollars are designed to reward Young Numismatists for participation in activities related to the world of numismatics. YNs are able to save and spend this physical internal scrip of the ANA's Education Department to earn prizes in the Education Department's Monthly and Annual YN Auctions.

[See Ways to Earn YN Dollars](#)

## ANA YNs Receive Free CONECA Membership

[The Combined Organization of Numismatic Error Collectors of America \(CONECA\)](#) is offering a free, one-year membership to ANA Young Numismatists. CONECA is a national numismatic organization devoted to the education of error and variety coin collectors.

As a benefit of CONECA membership, YNs will receive the educational journal *The Errorscope*,



which is mailed bi-monthly. CONECA also offers members a lending library, plus examination, listing and attribution services.

To redeem your free membership, email [yn@conecaonline.org](mailto:yn@conecaonline.org). Be sure to include your name, email address, ANA membership number, and mention the code CONECAYN#16 in the email body or subject line.

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