

January 4, 2024



## January YN Auction

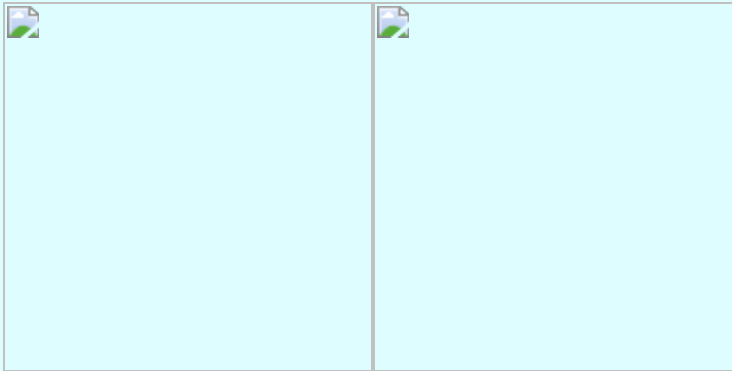
The January YN Auction is here! View the lots below, and jump to the [YN Auction](#) page to place a bid with your YN Dollars.

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

*Click to enlarge auction lots*

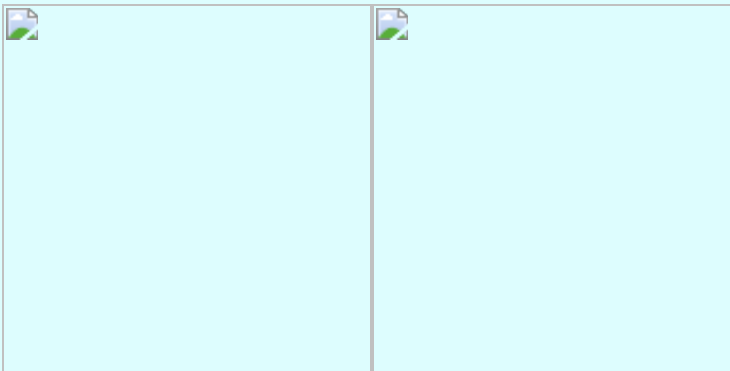
**Lot 1: 1940-S/S Mercury  
Dime, Repunched  
Mintmark (RPM) #1;  
Fivaz-Stanton-501; Very  
Fine, Toned**

*Reserve: \$40 YN Dollars*



**Lot 2: 1914 Netherlands  
East Indies One Cent;  
Choice Very Fine**

*No Reserve*



**Lot 3: (No Date; 1982 or  
later) Lincoln Cent, Struck  
Off-center; Choice Brilliant  
Uncirculated Red**

*Reserve: \$20 YN Dollars*

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

# Collecting FRIENDS



## ANA Coin Press – Collecting Friends: Is the 1793 Flowing Hair, Chain Large Cent Ugly or Charming?

**Steve:** Dennis and I have discussed design for a few perspectives. The Susan B. Anthony dollar is derided as unattractive by many, but is that because of an expectation that when a woman is depicted on a coin that they should be conventionally attractive for the coin to be considered successful from an aesthetic perspective? How should portraiture necessarily convey a subject's inner life beyond outward appearances?

**Dennis:** With even the most tired-out, worn-smooth, lowest-grade Chain cents selling for thousands of dollars, I wouldn't kick one out of the ol' junk box! But it's hard not to compare this design with what came after...and find it lacking.

Continue Reading "Is the 1793 Flowing Hair, Chain Large Cent Ugly or Charming?"

## Earn a College Scholarship for Numismatic Involvement



Applications for the Gerome Walton Memorial College Scholarships, provided by the ANA, are being accepted through March 13. The scholarship fund provides a graduating high school senior, who is also a member of the ANA, with \$1,000 to use at the university, community college, or trade school in the U.S. of the student's choice.

This scholarship can be used for tuition, books or supplies directly related to class requirements. Up to two scholarships may be awarded annually. Students with a

full class schedule, who maintain a B average throughout their higher education can receive the \$1,000 scholarships for up to four years.

**Applications** must be postmarked by **March 13, 2024**. Completed applications should be sent to:

ANA College Scholarship Committee  
c/o Paula Knepper  
818 N. Cascade Ave.  
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

For additional information, contact Paula Knepper at [pknepper@money.org](mailto:pknepper@money.org) or call (719) 482-9852.

# The Golden Spike Ceremony

## *and My Favorite Golden Spike Commemoratives*

**By: John Swindling**





Imagine you are back in 1869, and you want to go across the country. Before the Transcontinental Railroad was built by the Central Pacific and Union Pacific (UP) railroad companies, you would have had to ride on a horse or take a boat around the bottom of South America. These journeys would take several months, but after the tracks were completed, it took only about seven days! My favorite State Quarter has a picture of the Golden Spike Ceremony, which happened in Utah in 1869. This is the story of the trains, the golden spike, and the U.S. Mint's coins and medals showing the event.

Most people know that Jupiter and No. 119 were the two engines at the ceremony, but did you know they weren't supposed to be there? Originally, an engine named Antelope and an unknown Union Pacific engine were picked to attend the ceremony.



**Continue Reading "The Golden Spike Ceremony and My Favorite Golden Spike Commemoratives"**



## Do "Details" Reduce a Coin's Value?

*From the Reading Room Exclusives*

In the 1950s and '60s, the motif of the day was to regularly clean coins. Coins taken from circulation were often dirty or dull in appearance, so it behooved the collector to brighten up the coin and make it shine. Coin cleaning was not frowned upon but was expected as standard practice. In my college town, I joined a local coin club, met an active coin dealer who owned a Ben Franklin five and dime store, and found a pawn shop with a coin board for weekly coin auctions. There were also a few "pocket dealers," all of whom embraced cleaning coins to a bright sheen.

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# 2024

## Apply for Summer Seminar Scholarships

The ANA is accepting **scholarship applications** for its 2024 Summer Seminar, the hobby's premier educational event. Recipients will have the opportunity to attend one of two weeklong sessions, to be held June 16-19 and June 23-26 on the Colorado College campus adjacent to ANA headquarters in Colorado Springs, Colorado. All members are eligible.

Take a look at the courses, mini-seminars, tours, events and more that are being offered this year in the [course catalog](#).

YNs can apply for financial aid through the ANA Young Numismatist Scholarship Programs. Applicants must be full-time students, age 13 to 17. Full scholarships include room and board for one week, tuition, and airfare, while partial scholarships cover tuition only. Recipients will be selected based on need and merit.

Scholarship applications are available online and **must be postmarked no later than February 15, 2024**. For additional information, contact the ANA Seminars Department at (719) 482-9848 or email [seminars@money.org](mailto:seminars@money.org).

[Apply for a Summer Seminar Scholarship](#)

## Attend NumismaTalks, *Monthly Webinar Series*

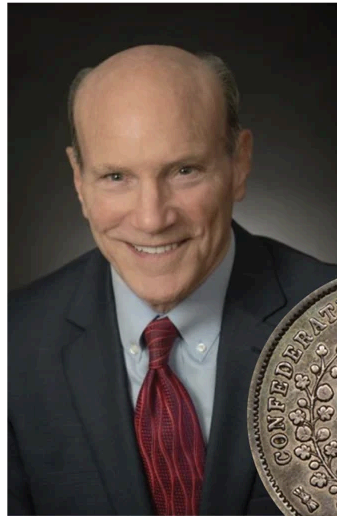
NumismaTalks, an ANA webinar series, will be presented by a rotating array of top industry experts. Part of the ANA eLearning Academy, NumismaTalks consist of hour-long presentations, 12-1pm MT, on the second and fourth Thursday of the month.

### January 11

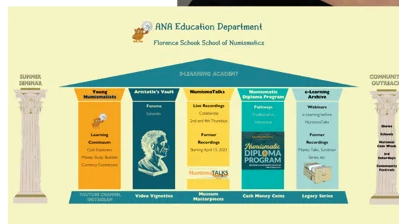
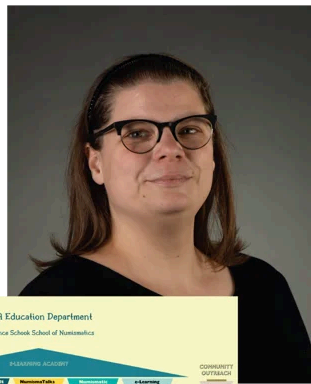
#### "American Slavery & The Liberty Cap"

Presented by Jeff Pritchard

The Liberty Cap has been an enduring image on U.S. coinage since the 1790s and appears on some of our most popularly collected U.S. coins. Originally the symbol of manumission (slaveholders freeing slaves), this presentation examines three historical numismatic vignettes in which the



intersection of the Liberty Cap with American slavery is poignant, thought-provoking, and at times, tragically ironic.



**January 25**

**"Welcome to the New eLearning Academy"**

Presented by Christian Strayhorn

The education department of the ANA has the vision to welcome all learners by providing dynamic, engaging, relevant, and organized learning opportunities for the life-long love of numismatics. We want all ages, backgrounds, and interests to be a part of the amazing world of numismatics. Join this seminar to learn more about the exciting changes and future offerings.

[Register for NumismaTalks](#)

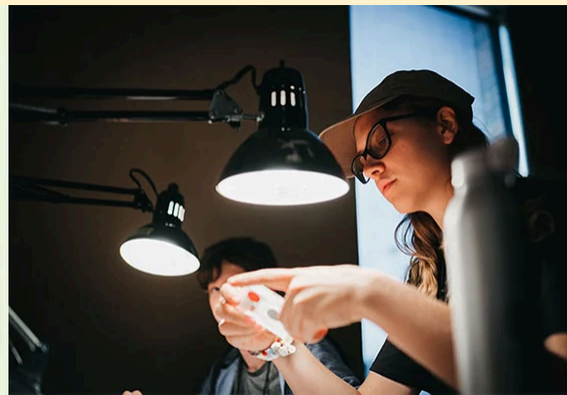
# Celebrate Your Special Day with the ANA

The ANA wants to help you celebrate your special day. During your birth month, please contact Sam Gelberd at [sgelberd@money.org](mailto:sgelberd@money.org) to request your special coin and \$20 YN Dollars. Remember, YN Dollars can be used in monthly and annual YN auctions.

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



## ● THE YN PERSPECTIVE ●



## Summer Learning

*These three programs immerse young collectors in numismatics*

**The YN Perspective from the January 2024 *Numismatist* by Abby Zechman**

As a young collector, it can be challenging to find time to engage in the hobby during the school year. Summer was one of the only times I could focus on

numismatics, so I took advantage of every summer program I could find. I've attended Summer Seminar, Witter Coin University, and Stack's Bowers Professional Numismatist Program. Because I would recommend all three to young collectors looking for ways to get involved this summer, I wanted to share a little about each event.

[Continue Reading "Summer Learning"](#)

## Be a Page at the ANA's National Money Show!



**Applications** must be postmarked by **January 19, 2024**.

Young Numismatists who are ANA members have the opportunity to volunteer to be a Page during the Colorado Springs National Money Show®, March 14-16, 2024. Pages must be between the ages of 11 and 22.

- Collect tips while attending the biggest coin show of the spring.
- Network with dealers and professional numismatists.
- Earn YN Dollars to use in the monthly YN Auction.

## Own a Piece of History from the Money Museum

Join the monthly ANA Money Museum Auction on eBay, **January 18-25**.

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 winning 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](#)



See Ways to Earn YN Dollars

## 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.

## Free Membership with TEC

If you love Elongated, Squished or Rolled coins, then [The Elongated Collectors](#) (TEC) is the club for you. Founded in 1966, TEC has members in every state and several countries. Our purpose is to care for and foster interest in these marvelous souvenirs from every source and era.

The club assists and educates collectors; encourages the study, acquisition, and exhibition of elongateds and related items; researches and publishes articles in *TECNews* and other sources; and promotes the realistic and consistent valuation of elongateds.



Membership includes a quarterly newsletter, birthday elongated coin mailed to all junior members, an annual design contest, opportunities to earn special TEC award coins, and a Facebook group.

Membership applications can be found on their website, [tecnews.org](http://tecnews.org). Any other questions can be referred to the club secretary at [terri@tecnews.org](mailto:terri@tecnews.org).

## Want to contribute to "Your Newsletter?"

Submit your numismatic articles and photos to "Your Newsletter" by emailing [yournewsletter@money.org](mailto:yournewsletter@money.org). Articles must be 1,000 words or less.



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