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AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

Your NEWSLETTER



August YN Auction

The August YN Auction is here! View the lots below, and jump to the [Google Classroom](#) 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: 1884-O
Morgan \$1, AU**

No Reserve



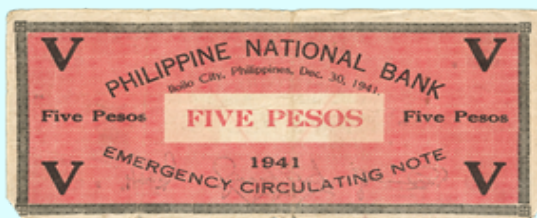
**Lot 2: ANA Mini-Mint Tokens,
Treasure of the Deep Exhibit,
Pewter**

No Reserve



**Lot 3: 1941 5 Pesos, S307, Iloilo,
Philippines**

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.*

Find YN Programs on Google Classroom

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ARISTOTOLE'S VAULT



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New Aristotle's Vault Forum Available This Month

EXPLORE
A NEW FRONTIER
OF COIN COLLECTING

Aristotle's Vault preserves expert numismatic knowledge in the ANA's online eLearning Academy. Based on the idea of the Platonic Academy (where Ancient Greek scholars met to share philosophy), Aristotle's Vault provides a platform for numismatic "philosophers" and educators to provide their knowledge to others.

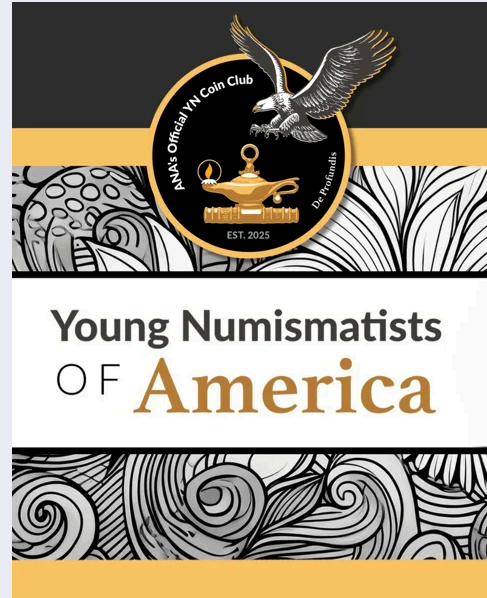
Follow instructor Greg Bennick as he walks through the basics of collecting error coins in *Errors and the Error Hobby*. Focusing on the modern minting process and how that process creates errors, Bennick provides key insights into the error hobby for all levels of collectors. **The course will be available this month.** Watch the trailer by clicking the video on the left.

[Visit Aristotle's Vault](#)

Learn All About the Young Numismatists of America

The American Numismatic Association has launched the Young Numismatists of America (YNA), a youth-led club designed to spotlight the voices and leadership of

collectors ages 3-17. Backed by the ANA and driven by teen numismatists, the YNA empowers young hobbyists to connect, collaborate, and contribute



meaningfully to the future of coin collecting. From publishing their own newsletter to conducting monthly online meetings, this new initiative is already inspiring the next generation.

Learn more in ANA's online publication, the Reading Room, about how the YNA is creating fresh opportunities for youth engagement, national exposure, and peer-led innovation in numismatics.

[View Reading Room Article](#)

[Learn More & Join](#)

[Read July issue of The Young Numismatist](#)

The club's next virtual meeting is September 5, 5 p.m. MT (7 p.m. ET, 6 p.m. CT, 4 p.m. PT). Attendees must be in grades 6-12. **Anyone under 18 will need parent permission to join.**

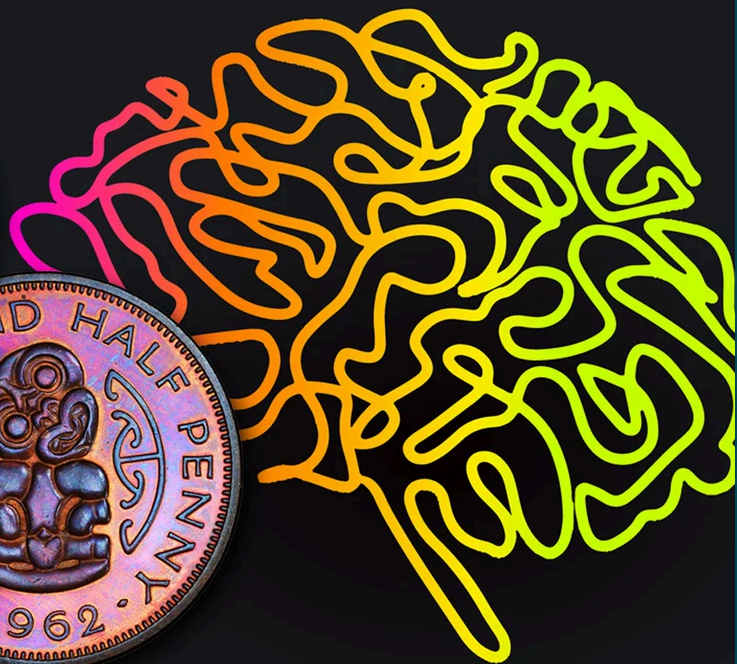


Continue Reading "Three-Word Hooks"

Collecting Friends: Three-Word Hooks

In a blog installment from Dennis Tucker and Steve Roach, the authors discuss how three-word hooks can reel people in.

Steve: Netflix reels in its viewers with three-word hooks. The ANA does the same thing with its education program's goals: *explore, study, connect*. For Netflix, the *New York Times* explained that shows like "Grey's Anatomy" might be called soapy, emotional and drama, while another might be campy, witty, and quirky. Netflix has a team of 30 people devoted to these three magic words.



Coin Collecting & Neurodiversity

Article from the [Reading Room](#)

My name is Ben Lewandowski, and I am neurodivergent. I have autism, ADHD, and an anxiety disorder. It can be a little overwhelming sometimes. But when I discovered coins, it was like falling into a portal to another world. I learned everything I could about coins. I got every single book I could from the library on coins and read them twice. Soon, I joined a coin club. My mom and I looked on Outschool, a site for online live classes, where we found an awesome coin club for neurodivergent kids. Everyone is very supportive. It doesn't matter if you are an expert or novice; we just do all things coins and have fun!

[Continue Reading "Coin Collecting & Neurodiversity"](#)



Third Course of Numismatic Diploma Program Available Soon

[Register for Numismatic Diploma Program](#)

The third course of the Numismatic Diploma Program, *Detecting Counterfeit and Altered Coins*, will soon be available online. Each course of the program is undergoing review and receiving updates to reflect the current numismatic landscape.

Detecting Counterfeit and Altered Coins will explore how to detect fake coins. Whether you are new to the hobby or a more experienced numismatist, you will learn skills that will help you evaluate coins in your collection, as well as potential purchases. If you better understand the factors and characteristics that determine a coin's authenticity, you will be able to add to your collection with more confidence.



Register for the Annual Live YN Auction

The 11th Annual Live Young Numismatist Auction is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 11.

ANA Young Numismatists (YNs) have the opportunity to participate in the annual YN Auction each year – a learning experience that allows you to feel the excitement and pressure you'd experience bidding on items. Plus, you'll have an opportunity to win treasures!

The auction has a total of 110 lots, which includes six categories: U.S. Coins, World Coins, Exonumia, Paper Money, Books & Albums, and random Grab Bags.

*YN Dollars are the **only** form of payment accepted for auction items. Only current ANA members in grades K-12 may participate. Submitting YN Dollars after Sept. 26 will not guarantee they will be processed in time for lot payment. Please note you must only place bids within the amount of YN Dollars in your possession.*

To join the auction, YNs must be in the YN [Google Classroom](#). To register for the auction, fill out the form under "2025 Annual YN Auction" in Classwork. For questions or concerns, reach out to ANA Numismatic Educator Steve Roach at sroach@money.org.

[Register in Google Classroom](#)

**Attend NumismaTalks,
Monthly Webinar Series**

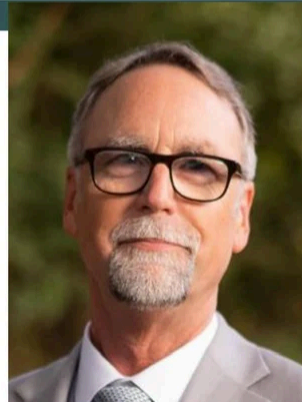
NumismaTalks, an ANA webinar series, will be presented by a rotating array of top industry experts. Part of the ANA eLearning Academy, NumismaTalks consist of hour-long presentations, 12-1pm MT, on the second and fourth Thursday of the month. *Live webinars are free and recorded webinars are available online at money.org/videos/numismatalks.*

August 14

"The Heads & Tails of Birth-Year Collecting"

Presented by Peter Lawrence

This presentation will highlight the challenges and rewards of birth-year collecting. It is based on Peter's experience researching and building a collection of 1963 world coins and commemorative medals. It highlights the events of the time, including the JFK assassination, the space race, the Civil War centennial, the death of Pope John XXIII, and the civil Rights Movement. It also features an interesting commemorative series of the time from



Mexico, Venezuela, Germany, and the USA. It will discuss how to determine what coins and medals were issued by or minted in a specific country in a given year. It will also identify various sources of the coins and medals, how you might display them, photograph and catalog them, and put parameters on your collection.



August 28

"Collecting Confederate Paper Money"

Presented by Pierre Fricke

This presentation will discuss what Confederate money was, how it came about, and the various types across the 7 issues. It will include many pictures of notes, people, and books, explanations of various types, and what varieties are. Military issuers and contemporary counterfeits will be discussed. Modern fakes will also be covered, and how easy they are to tell from the genuine article.

[Register for NumismaTalks](#)

ANA Young Numismatists Recognized with College Scholarship



The ANA has awarded 2025 college scholarships to Hayes Ruckstaetter from St. Louis, Missouri, and Hudson Thiry from Luxemburg, Wisconsin. Each winner will receive a \$1,000 scholarship to use toward tuition at an institution of their choice.

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 Google Classroom 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.

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



[Log on to Google Classroom](#)

Own a Piece of History from the Money Museum

Join the monthly ANA Money Museum Auction on eBay, **August 21-28**.

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 (excluding gold)! All proceeds are used to support the Museum's educational mission.



[Visit Money Museum eBay Store](#)

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.**

How to Earn YN Dollars



YN Dollar requests must be submitted with evidence within 60 days of activity completion.

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](#)

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.

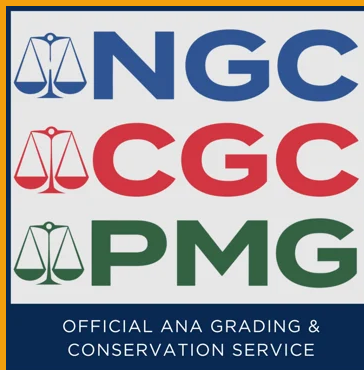
Membership applications can be found on their website, tecnews.org. Any other questions can be referred to the club secretary at terri@tecnews.org.

Want to contribute to "Your Newsletter?"

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



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