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AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

# Your NEWSLETTER



## Changes to YN Communications

Due to the rise in popularity of the [Young Numismatists of America](#) (YNA), a dynamic club led exclusively by passionate young numismatists, communications for young numismatists from the ANA is changing.

**This will be the final edition of *Your Newsletter***, as the YNA writes and publishes their [own newsletter](#) on a regular basis. The ANA wants to allow Young Numismatists to continue leading the way with their own content and collecting articles.

All important news regarding YN monthly auctions, YN Dollars, deals to join numismatic organizations, scholarship information, and more, can be found in the YN [Google Classroom](#).

We encourage all ANA YN members to join the Young Numismatists of America, who foster a welcoming community for young collectors with monthly virtual meetings, their own publication, research showcases, and more. *To join, students must be in grades 6-12 (or at least 11 years old) and a member of the ANA.*

Although *Your Newsletter* will no longer be sent to ANA YNs, if you would like to continue to receive monthly emails containing ANA news and updates, we encourage you to sign up to receive the ANA's eNewsletter *Money Mail*. Communication preferences can be updated on your money.org account at [money.org/private-settings/](https://money.org/private-settings/) after logging in.

[Visit Google Classroom](#)

[Learn More About YNA](#)

[Update Communication Preferences](#)

## Changes on the Horizon for YN Dollars

Starting this June, YN Dollars will be tracked electronically at the ANA. If you have YN Dollars in your possession and would like to use them in future auctions, here's what you'll need to do:

1. Lay out, count, and take a picture of your YN Dollars (keep the picture in case your shipment gets lost in the mail).

2. Mail in your YN Dollars to the following address in one shipment:

YN Dollars  
818 N. Cascade Ave.  
Colorado Springs, CO 80903



3. Keep submitting requests for YN Dollars through the Google Classroom form.

**YN Dollars must be received by June 1, 2026** to be counted. Physical YN Dollars will no longer be considered "legal" tender for YNs by June. For questions, email the ANA Education Department at [education@money.org](mailto:education@money.org).



## A Fly(ing Eagle Cent) on the Wall

Article from the [Reading Room](#)

The American Numismatic Association regularly receives valuable, interesting gifts and donations to its collections of coins, paper money, and exnumia. By the same token, the ANA also has the responsibility of curating and at times deaccessioning (selling or otherwise releasing) parts of its collection.

**Continue Reading "A Fly(ing Eagle Cent) on the Wall"**

## Apply for Financial Aid From the ANA



The American Numismatic Association Gerome Walton Memorial College Scholarship fund annually provides up to two ANA-member high school seniors with \$1,000 each, to be used for tuition and fees at any U.S. university, community college, or trade school. Students who are residents of the United States and have a cumulative grade-point average equal to or greater than 3.0 ("B" letter grade) are eligible to apply.

**Submissions must be postmarked no later than March 13.** Completed applications should be sent to:

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

**Apply for College Scholarship**

Recipients will be selected based on numismatic merit and accomplishment. To learn more, contact the Education Department at 719-482-9852, or email [pknepper@money.org](mailto:pknepper@money.org).

# Submit Your Numismatic Writing, Chance to Win Awards

Submissions for the ANA's annual Young Numismatist Literary Awards competition are being accepted through **April 1**.



The awards were established to encourage young writers in three age groups, all of whom will compete for cash awards and numismatic books.

To compete, participants must be ANA members. Submitted articles will focus on a numismatic topic of the author's choice.

For more information, visit [money.org/yn-literary-awards](https://money.org/yn-literary-awards). Send submissions to **Sydney Stewart**, [ssewart@money.org](mailto:ssewart@money.org) no later than **April 1**.

## Guidelines for Submissions

When submitting articles:

- ◆ Provide ANA member number, category of submission, and contact information (email, phone number, and address) on the first page.
- ◆ Include the author's name and award category in the file name.
- ◆ Submissions created using AI are not permitted. All submissions will be reviewed for AI-generated content.
- ◆ Submissions are accepted in Microsoft Word or PDF format only.
- ◆ Up to three submissions per author are allowed.
- ◆ Submissions previously published in *The Numismatist* will not be accepted.

# ANA Coin Press



## 10 Invaluable Tips For Purchasing Collectible Coins Online

The world of collectible coins is a fascinating one, filled with history, art, and a sense of adventure. In recent years, the internet has made it easier than ever to purchase these coveted items from the comfort of your own home. However, buying collectible coins online also comes with its fair share of potential risks.

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## 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](https://money.org/videos/numismatalks).*

There will only be one course in February due to the [National Money Show](#).

### February 12

#### "Inside the Revamped Numismatic Diploma Program"

Presented by Christian Strayhorn

The Numismatic Diploma Program, or NDP, has been a staple of the ANA's education offerings for years. Join ANA Education Director Christian Strayhorn for a tour of the new and improved Numismatic Diploma Program. In this NumismaTalk, Christian will share the process behind the redesigned courses and the layout of

each course. She will also provide a walk-through and answer questions for those interested in participating.



[Register for NumismaTalks](#)

## "Striking Independence: 250 Years of American Numismatics" *Title Selected for 2026 National Coin Week*

This year, America celebrates 250 years of independence. This milestone invites us to reflect on the many ways money and freedom are connected. The ANA will offer educational and promotional materials for the week-long celebration (April 19-25, 2026) soon at [NationalCoinWeek.org](https://www.nationalcoinweek.org).



## Celebrate Your Special Day with the ANA



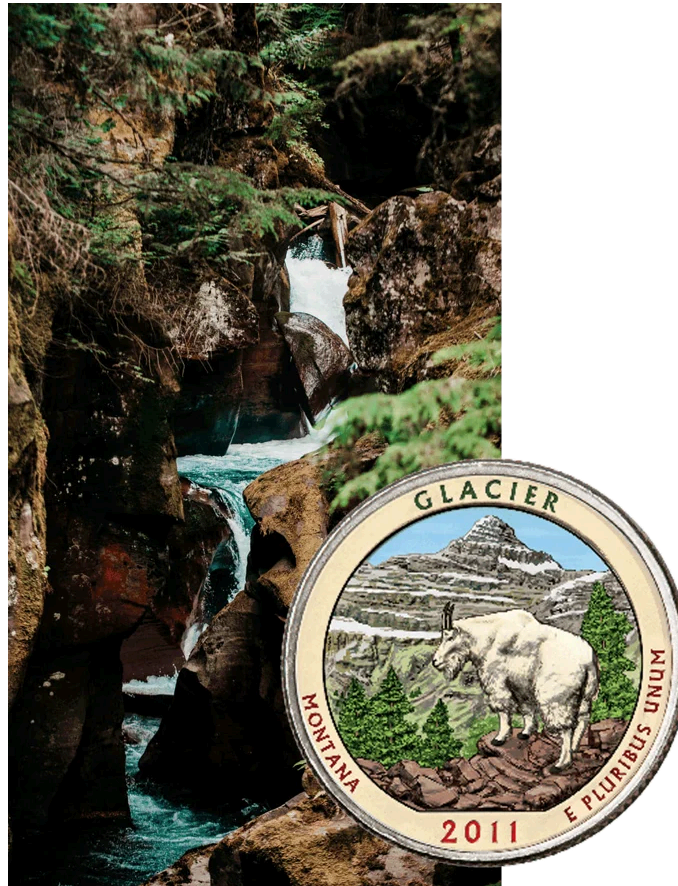
The ANA wants to help you celebrate your special day. During your birth month, please log on to Google Classroom to request your special coin and 20 YN Dollars and provide your full mailing address. Remember, YN Dollars can be used in monthly and annual auctions.

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](#)

## Volunteer at Parks, Receive Numismatic Prizes

In honor of the United States' semiquincentennial celebration, the ANA is inviting K-12 students to celebrate history through hands-on service in a project titled *America 250: Connecting Coins with the Land(s) They Represent*.



The initiative encourages young collectors to volunteer in nation, state, and local parks, as well as community conservation efforts, in exchange for coins and other numismatic prizes. Through this experience, students make a meaningful impact while discovering how the designs and symbols on U.S. coins reflect the landscapes, wildlife, and historic places they help protect.

To learn more about the project and get involved with volunteering, visit [money.org/america250-project](https://www.money.org/america250-project). To qualify for prizes, parent permission and a pre-approval form for the volunteer work are required. For additional questions, contact ANA Education Director Christian Strayhorn at [cstrayhorn@money.org](mailto:cstrayhorn@money.org).

**Own a Piece of History from the  
Money Museum**

Join the monthly ANA Money Museum Auction on eBay, **February 19-26**.

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](https://tecnews.org). Any other questions can be referred to the club secretary at [terri@tecnews.org](mailto:terri@tecnews.org).



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