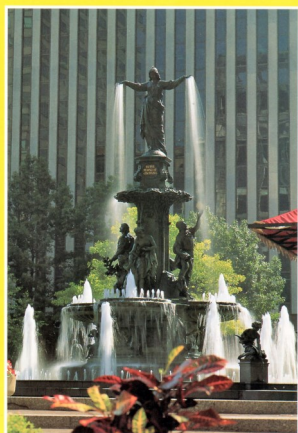


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*Tyler Davidson Fountain
Cincinnati, Ohio*

The next meeting of the Cincinnati Numismatic Association will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, March 8th, at Coins +, located at 225 East 6th Street in downtown Cincinnati. The building is closed in the evenings so members need to arrive between 7:00 and 7:30. If you arrive later than 7:30, a phone number that you can call will be listed on the door.

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Eligius of Noyon, Patron Saint of Numismatics

By Richard Giedroyc

Perhaps it isn't as well known as we might like it to be, but coin collectors have a patron saint. St. Eligius was born to an educated family in Chaptelat, Aquitaine in what is now France in about AD 588. He died December 1, 660 and was buried in his episcopal city of Noyon, which he built and where he endowed a nunnery for virgins.



Renaissance painting of Eligius

As a youth Eligius was apprenticed to the goldsmith Abbo, who was master of the mint at Limoges. Eligius was later to work under the royal treasurer Babo at the Frankish palace at Neustria. Babo recommended Eligius be commissioned to build a golden throne for the Merovingian King Clotaire II. It was from this project that Eligius built his reputation as a goldsmith. As a result Clotaire appointed him master of the mint or moneyer at Marseilles.

Gold coins of Eligius are known, but they are rare. These are crude medieval issues struck from blanks made

2019 Meetings

| Date | Presenter | Date | Presenter |
|----------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| January 11th Friday | Colin & Debra Feitl | June 14th Friday | Open |
| February 8th Friday | Joe Boling | July 12th Friday | Open |
| March 8th Friday | Fred Schwan | August 9th Friday | Open |
| April 13th Saturday | Annual Dinner | September 13th Friday | Open |
| May 10th Friday | Stephen Petty | October 11th Friday | Open |

from sheets of gold that have been pounded until they are paper thin. The illustrated example carries the reverse legend 'Moneta +Eligi.' The



Gold tremissis of Eligius before AD 629

obverse portrait is that of King Clovis II.

Eligius rose to become chief councilor under King Dagobert, who succeeded Clotaire II upon the lat-



St. Eligius medal by Don Turano

ter's death in 629. It was during this time that Eligius began giving alms to the poor, ransomed captives, and founding several monasteries.

Eligius and his friend Dado lived under Irish monastic rules, which he introduced into the monastery of

Solignac near Limoges in 632.

Eligius had purchased this as a villa. He also founded a convent in Paris, built the basilica of St. Paul des Champs, and restored the basilica at Paris devoted to St. Martial. Eligius served as the fiscal moneyer or *fiscalis monetæ* for Limoges.

Queen Nanthild ruled as regent for the child King Clovis II upon the death of King Dagobert in 639. Eligius was ordained in 640. Two years later Eligius was appointed bishop of Noyon-Tournai. Tournai had previously been a royal city. Since most of the inhabitants of the bishopric were pagan Eligius converted the Flemings, Frisians, Suevi, and miscellaneous Germanic

jewelers, the British Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, a corps of the British Army, gold and silver metal workers, and for that reason of numismatists as well. His feast day is December 1.

Coins of St. Eligius seldom appear in collector markets. There are Catholic medals that can be collected. There is also a popularly collected 40-millimeter diameter eight-sided bronze medal of the saint issued in 1966 by Don Turano his the privately owned Van Brook Mint.

A less available collectible is a 55mm diameter cast white metal medal given to members of the Brotherhood of the Knights of St.



Knights of St. Eligius member's medallion

tribes along the North Sea coast. Eligius went on extensive missionary travels, established and endowed a nunnery at Noyon.

St. Eligius is the patron saint of veterinarians, horses and those who care for them (farriers),

Eligius, a Canadian numismatic organization founded in 1989 whose mission is to educate coin collectors about their patron saint. The organization has a museum in Val-David, Quebec. In 2009 Frank Galindo founded a St. Eligius brotherhood in the United States.

Free Coins, Medals, Tokens, Banknotes...

Starting at the March meeting you can get a free numismatic item for your collection. Sealed envelopes containing a coin, medal, token or banknote will be available for the taking. All you have to do is agree to write an article for the newsletter about the item you receive. All of the pieces will have been photographed so you can include photos in your article.

As an added incentive, one

or two of the items will have some intrinsic value. That's right, there will be a little bit of treasure "buried" in among the plain brown envelopes.

Will you be brave enough to take the challenge? What will you learn? What will you add to your collection, a foreign coin, a medal commemorating a historical event, a banknote from a far away land or time?

There is no specific length required for your article, it just needs to be long enough to tell the story.

If you can't make it to a meeting and would still like to participate send an email to cincycoins@gmail.com and one will be mailed to you. All envelopes are unmarked and sealed ahead of time as a group so no one knows what's inside.

ANA Staff Profile

Tiffanie Bueschel - Making Things Happen

By Phil Vitale, Editor of *Pocket Change* the monthly publication of the Albuquerque Coin Club

Perhaps as important as good leaders is having people that take responsibility to get things done. They are the cornerstone of a great organization. Tiffanie Bueschel, Clubs Coordinator par excellence, makes the ANA no exception.

Tiffanie is the “go to” person for everything having to do with ANA’s member clubs: show kits, dues, invoices, speaker certificates, and promotional materials. She also administers the District Representative program to bring organizational and event support to every state and eight foreign countries. You’ll see her lending a hand at ANA shows, and arranging the “showing” of ANA museum treasures at regional shows.

This “native” Coloradan was actually born in Los Angeles, California, and moved to Colorado Springs with her family when she was 4 years old. Colorado Springs is where she grew up and was educated. Her family, including son Cameron, still lives there.

Tiffanie left a job in retail

marketing to come to the ANA in 1997. She worked in the Museum department doing a variety of tasks until 2013. She was then offered a position by Kim Kiick to work exclusively with ANA clubs. Tiffanie ac-



cepted the challenge to build a more positive relationship with ANA clubs (for which we are very thankful). One of her goals was to increase club membership in the ANA, and points proudly to achieving that goal every year. Tiffanie told me: “I believe our numismatic

clubs are the grass roots of the hobby. Clubs with their local shows and meetings capture the attention of people who do not know about the hobby and engage with kids, who have become YNs, and then prominent numismatists in the industry.”

I asked Tiffanie what she did for fun when she wasn’t working. I was surprised when she told me she used to collect MPCs and was very much into boxing (dangerous women are so exciting!). Now days she collects a potpourri of coins that have a connection to historical events. She is also an avid “card crafter” creating special cards for special people and events.

With 21 years of experience in the ANA, Tiffanie’s experience and expertise is highly sought after. She is always busy, but not too busy to find time to answer a call and help a club with whatever they need; we are grateful. Tiffanie has accepted our invitation to join us at our Spring Coin Show. I hope you’ll all take the opportunity to stop by and meet this terrific individual that does so much for us.

History of Indiana Obsolete Bank Notes and Scrip

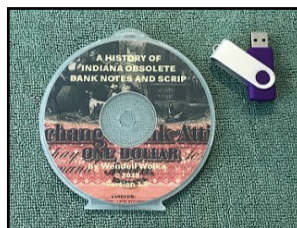
By Wendell Wolka

Finally (authors knowing the usual path of self-published works are now allowed to snicker at that choice of words) I am happy to announce the availability of a new catalogue covering the obsolete bank notes and scrip of Indiana; the first since 1978.

Published as a PDF file and available on either a CD or flash drive, this 900 page e-book lists 450 issuers, over 2800 individual note and scrip descriptions, and has near-

ly 1400 full color illustrations. As a PDF file, it is fully searchable by key word, phrase, or page number and illustrations can be enlarged to look at smaller details. Those needing hard copy can print out pages, sections, or even the entire book if so desired.

The use of modern technology also allows an attractive price point of \$34.95 postpaid; less than



one third the price of a comparable traditional format book. Those interested in obtaining a copy of this new e-book may do so by sending a check or money order for \$34.95 to Wendell Wolka,

PO Box 5439, Sun City Center, FL 33571 or using PayPal (using email address purduenut@aol.com). PLEASE SPECIFY EITHER CD OR FLASH DRIVE as the preferred media when placing orders.

Globe Trotting With One-Ounce Silver Bullion

By Mark Benvenuto

One-ounce silver bullion coins are now a staple of the numismatic community, with plenty of offerings of silver Eagles from the United States Mint, including proofs, reverse proofs, burnished pieces, and a variety of mint marks from which to choose. A person could build an impressive collection sticking to just what can be called regular issues, those that have no special “something,” no special minting process, associated with them. And yet there is a wider world of one-ounce silver coins out there. Let’s do some globetrotting and see just what might be waiting for the intrigued collector.

First, yes, let’s go north to our friends in Canada. The Canadian one-ounce Maple Leaf program has a longer history than our Eagles, if we look strictly at the bullion coin idea, since the gold Maple Leaf first came out of the Royal Canadian Mint in 1979. The regular issues for silver – meaning those made to trade on markets as precious metal – starting in 1988, have always been



pegged to the market price for silver, and thus can be inexpensive today. But the RCM knew its business back then, as do all Mints really, and started the silver Maple Leaf program with some proofs, aimed specif-

ically at the collector community. So there are plenty of coins within this series from which to choose that won’t be associated with that just-mentioned price of silver, which will cost somewhat more. To be fair though, they are gorgeous, and any one of them would be a great addition to a growing collection.

Another quick stop in the search for silver bullion coins is just south of us, Mexico. Mexico has had a silver bullion coin program, the Libertads, for slightly longer than



the U.S., but that’s probably not a big surprise for anyone who really has looked at how silver makes it to the market today. An interesting book, which can be downloaded for free, is the United States Geological Survey’s, “Mineral Commodity Summaries,” issued annually. Among other metals and materials, it tracks silver, and the major silver-producing nations. The 2018 issue indicates that the U.S. imports 63% of our silver, and the first nation listed from where we import it is – you guessed it, Mexico.

Mexican silver Libertads are made in proofs as well as regular issues, and are beautiful in both versions. Even though it’s fair to say that the collector base for Mexican coinage is thinner in the U.S. than it might be, the Libertads are

usually in demand. Enough of them have been made that we can snag even the 1982 if we’d like, although when in excellent condition the earliest dates do now cost more than just the price of the silver.

Taking a big leap across a big ocean, we land in China, a nation that has been a premier player for quite some time with its silver and gold Panda coins. The silver Pandas reach back into the early 1980’s, but have a couple of fascinating twists associated with them. The first is



that the design changes each year, although it always displays a panda on it in some form. The second is that the first few years saw only proof silver Pandas, and several years have seen mintages which are low enough that their total output will never be much by way of being a shaker or mover on the world’s metals markets, but that keeps the desire and cost for them high. In the early years, there were plenty of avid collectors who noted that this appeared to be an obvious bit of business savvy from a communist government based on principles that supposedly were above such capitalist matters. Over the course of years though, that sort of directed criticism has died down, although the same can’t usually be said for prices. The Pandas do tend to command some-

thing of a premium above and beyond the price of silver.

Taking another big leap, we end up in the land “Down Under,”



Australia. Another nation famed for its mineral wealth, Australia has produced a variety of silver bullion coins. In what might be a bit of a surprise, its silver does not all come from direct mining of the metal, but often as a by-product of copper production, or of lead and tin mining. In what is probably no surprise, the most recent Australian silver bullion coins are kangaroos, and there are koalas as well. They have definitely been made in large enough quantities that they are quite inexpensive today.

Travelling west across what sailors sometimes call the “furious forties,” the South Indian Ocean, we end up at South Africa, the nation that has the oldest of any bullion coins, at least when we are talking gold. The Krugerrands were un-

veiled in 1967, and were the only game in town for several years. The entire Krugerrand program was designed to promote South African



gold to as big a market as possible, so it's a bit odd that there was no silver Krugerrands at all until 2017. But as the first country to go gold has finally gone silver as well, it's a great piece to add to any world-wide collection of one-ounce pieces.

We can complete our very quick round-the-world trip by going

north, up to Europe, and realizing that there are now a hefty number of different one-ounce silver pieces from several of the countries there. Great Britain has several years of Britanni-

“we haven't mentioned the little-known silver Irbis coins from Kazakhstan”

as to offer. Austria has their very beautiful one-ounce pieces honoring the Vienna Philharmonic. Even Ukraine has jumped into these waters, with their silver Archangel Michael coins.

Well, we'll have to admit we've managed to miss plenty of countries in this quick jaunt about the globe. Feel free to look around for other possibilities, whether they are produced in large or small quantities. For instance, we haven't mentioned the little-known silver Irbis coins from Kazakhstan, as well as those from several other nations in the center of Asia. But for anyone who has until now concentrated on other series, as opposed to the big, one-ounce guys, the time may be ripe to start building a large, silver collection of your own, one ounce at a time.



Club News

Many thanks to Joe Boling for being our speaker at our February Meeting. His program was entitled "WWI Generated Many New Paper Money Issues—and the Counterfeiters Followed Right Along." Joe is an expert in the field and we are lucky to have him as a speaker. If you have been a member for a few years you know that Joe has been

our speaker several times over the years and we hope he will return again soon.

Our March speaker is noted MPC expert Fred Schwan. He will be giving a presentation on World War I coin trench art. By the way, Mr. Schwan and last month's speaker Joe Boling co-authored *World War II Remembered: History In*

Your Hands, A Numismatic Study. The duo also have taught the MPC classes at the ANA Summer Seminar for many years.

We are looking for presenters for meetings for the second half of 2019. Please share your passion with the club! Every numismatic subject can make a good presentation.

Annual Dinner, Saturday, April 13th

The Cincinnati Numismatic Association annual dinner will be held on Saturday, April 13th, 2019. The dinner will be held this year at Meritage, located at 40 Village Square in Glendale. Our dinner will be in the private and spacious "Glendale room" on the second floor. Cocktails (cash bar) with appetizers will be served starting at 6:30. Orders for dinner will be taken after guests are seated at 7:15.

Parking: The following free parking options located nearby: Lot behind restaurant, Square parking across the street and Municipal Lot across train tracks.

ACCESSIBILITY: Meritage has the following wheelchair-accessible amenities: Accessible Entrance, Accessible Parking & Accessible Elevator.

Each member may make a reservation for themselves and one guest. YN members may make reservations for themselves and one or both parents. The club is obligated to pay for 20 reservations. Please make every effort to attend.

The cost per person is \$36 (includes tax and gratuity). We are happy to note that this is two dollars lower than last year! The Cincinnati

Numismatic Association is providing an additional subsidy in order to keep your cost as low as possible. Please send your dinner reservation form to David Heinrich at: C.N.A., P.O. Box 446, Miamitown, OH 45041, along with your check for the amount of the dinner(s). The check should be made out to the Cincinnati Numismatic Association.

We must receive your reservation by Monday, April 1st, 2019. Early reservations are greatly appreciated so that we can give the restaurant a preliminary count. We hope to see you there!

Dinner Reservation Form

☐ **\$36 Dinner for myself**

☐ **\$36 Dinner for Guest**

This year you do not need to make your selections for dinner when you make your payment. Just send this form along with your payment of \$36 per person. Send your check and this form to: C.N.A., P.O. Box 446, Miamitown, Ohio 45041.

You can choose from the following options on the night of the dinner.

ENTRÉES: Thai Glazed Salmon, Eight Ounce Sirloin, Chicken Diavolo Pasta or Three Scallops with Lemon Butter

SIDES: Vegetable Medley,

Macaroni & Cheese or Twice Baked Potato. The dinner comes with a salad, bread and non-alcoholic drinks,

You will also be able to choose from the chef's selection of assorted desserts.

Please return this form by Monday, April 1st.

Comments:

Name:

Guest:

Daytime phone:

Email:

Membership Application

Pass this Membership Application on to a friend!

Since 1930, the Cincinnati Numismatic Association has been the gathering organization for coin collectors and other numismatic related specialists in the Cincinnati area. Its purpose has remained the same to foster knowledge of numismatics and a fraternal spirit among those who pursue the study of coins, currency, tokens, medals, and ex-onumia.

The organization meets once a month, on the second Friday at 7:30 pm and some additional Mondays at 7:00 pm. The Friday meeting location is at Coins +, 225

East 6th Street in downtown Cincinnati on an upper floor of the building. Monday meetings are held at the Groesbeck branch library located at 2994 West Galbraith Road. Cincinnati, Ohio 45239. The Groesbeck Branch is on Galbraith Road, approximately a quarter of a mile east of the intersection of Colerain Avenue and Galbraith Road.

Our meetings consist of numismatic talks or discussions, grading seminars, digital presentations, exhibits, and a dinner held every April. Club dues for adults are \$10 annually. Dues for Juniors are just

\$3 a year. This is certainly one of the best values in numismatics.

Membership in the Cincinnati Numismatic Association includes a subscription to its monthly publication, *The Cincinnati Numismatist*. In 2006, 2007, 2016 and 2017 the publication received first place in the ANA's competition for Outstanding Local Numismatic Publication.

The Cincinnati Numismatic Association has its roots in its long history, but strives to serve the needs of the collectors of the future.

I hereby make application for membership in the CNA and agree to abide by the constitution and bylaws of the said association.

☐ 3 year membership (\$29)

☐ Life membership (\$175)

☐ 1 year membership (\$10)

☐ 1 year Junior member (\$3)

Print Name: _____

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City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ (home)

_____ (work/cell)

Email: _____

Signature: _____

Sponsor (optional): _____

Signature: _____

(DO NOT FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING LINES)

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Make checks payable to the Cincinnati Numismatic Association.

Mail application and payment to: CNA, PO Box 446, Miamitown, OH 45041

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The Cincinnati Numismatic Association was founded in August of 1930 and consisted of thirty-five members including numismatic notables such as B. Max Mehl and Farran Zerbe. The first CNA President was Herbert A. Brand. The CNA was founded for the purpose of hosting the 1931 American Numismatic Association convention. Since then the CNA has hosted the ANA convention three more times, in 1942, 1980, and 1988. The CNA also hosted the 1998 ANA Spring show.



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Numystery

By: Colonel Green

This month's Numystery:

Who was the first real woman - not the model for Lady Liberty - to appear on a U.S. coin ?

Numystery answer:

Queen Isabella on the 1893 quarter in honor of the Board of Lady Governors of the Columbian Exposition.

Coin Show Schedule

Monthly

Cincinnati Greenhills Show
American Legion Hall
Winton Rd, Cinti, OH
Last Sunday
10:00 am - 3:30 pm

Monthly

Columbus Coin, Stamp & Card
Show, Makoy Center, 5462 Center
St., Hilliard, OH 10 am - 4 pm
Third Sunday, over 18 \$2 admission
drich@columbus.rr.com

March 28th-30th

ANA National Money Show, David
L. Lawrence Convention Center,
Hall B, 1000 Fort Duquesne Blvd.,
Pittsburgh, PA 15222, Thursday
9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday 10 a.m.
to 6 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 4
p.m.

April 14th

Clark County Semi-Annual Coin
Show. Windy Knoll Golf Center in

the Derby Banquet Center, 500 Ros-
common Dr., Springfield, OH. At I-
70, Exit 52. turn North on U.S. 68 go
to St Rte 41, exit East to Bechtel
Ave, turn left (North) on Bechtel go to
500 Roscommon Dr. on your right, go
to Windy Knoll Golf course and Derby
Banquet Center on left. Hours: Sun.
10AM-3:00PM. Bourse Dr. Gary Lau,
PH: 937-206-4943

April 24th-27th

Central States Numismatic Society
80th Anniversary Convention.
Now Including: The Chicago Coin
Expo, A World and Ancient Specialty
Event With a Dedicated Bourse Sec-
tion Schaumburg Renaissance Hotel
and Convention Center, Schaumburg,
IL 60173. There is a \$5 daily conven-
tion registration fee that applies dur-
ing the regular public hours on
Thursday, Friday and Saturday. A
three day pass is \$10. Life members
receive complimentary registration

May 19th

61st Shelby County Coin Club Coin
Show, VFW Post 4239
2841 Wapakoneta Ave., Sidney,
Ohio, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Free admission & parking
Contact: Todd Garrett 937-339-5437

June 13th-15th

The 36th Annual Greater Cincin-
nati Numismatic Exposition, 125
Tables, Sharonville Convention
Center 11355 Chester Rd. (I-75 Exit
15 in North Cincinnati, first exit
south of I-275). Hours: 10 a.m. - 6
p.m. Friday & Saturday, Dealer
setup and early birds (\$40) hours: 3-
7 p.m. Thursday, Contact: Paul
Padget, 513-821-2143 or
epadget@fuse.net

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