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KARI BROWER RECEIVES NEW ANA NUMISMATIC AWARD

*ANA President Recognizes Kari as one of his two special
monthly recognition individual awards*

The 'Points of Numismatic Light Program,' approved by the ANA Board of Governors in August 2013, recognizes two numismatic hobbyists or clubs per month during the presidency of Ostromecki. The individuals or clubs honored are those who have made a profound difference in enhancing the numismatic experience of others at the state or coin club level for not less than ten years. Kari has been a club member for over 40 years beginning as a YN in the mid-seventies. She served as our club president in 1987 and 1988, Vice-president in 2009 thru 2012 and Recording Secretary from 1991 - 1994. In addition, Kari was the club's first "Numismatist of the Year" in 1998 along with a number of Literary Awards, an ANA scholarship to attend their summer seminar. She also won the Numismatist of the Year title for the GSNA in 1998.

She also won a host of exhibit awards and was the club's Exhibit Chairman the past 25 years. The organization, "WIN" (Women in Numismatics) also presented her with awards for her many articles she wrote for their quarterly publication.

Jim Majoros had the pleasure of presenting the award to Kari since President Ostromecki, who resides in California, was unavailable. Presentation was made at the club's NCW Show on April 16. Kari's name will appear on a special plaque, along with other "Light Program" Honorees, that will hang on the wall outside the reception area of the ANA Museum and Headquarters building in Colorado Springs, CO. - "Well Deserved, Kari"

A SUCCESSFUL NCW SHOW

Over 100 in attendance

A four hour mini-show on a Thursday evening brought in over 75 registered members and visitors as well as scheduled member workers along with a dozen dealers. The club's NCW Show began in 1986 in recognition of National Coin Week and the mini-show. Cedric Derecho was the lone YN exhibitor and based on his beautiful exhibit of George Washington coins and paper money, Cedric took home two prizes. A photo of Cedric's exhibit appears on page four. Thanks very much Cedric.

We had some excellent help at the show and we sincerely give "Kudo's" to the following: Bill Morris, Fred Pennacchio, Bill Smith, Gary Catlin, Dolly Harris, Kari Brower, Jeff Thompson, Paul Faust, Walt and Phillis Pietras, Joe and Mary Testa, Elizabeth Cronin, Bob Holloway and President Dennis.

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JUNE MEETINGS: 4 and 18 with auctions at both meetings

LOCATION: Ocean Fire House, Pt Pleasant Beach, 400 Arnold Ave

Doors open 6 pm - Junior Program 6:45 - Regular meeting & auction 7:30

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP (Adults \$15- Juniors \$10 - Family \$20) - Application on website

SHOW PHOTOS



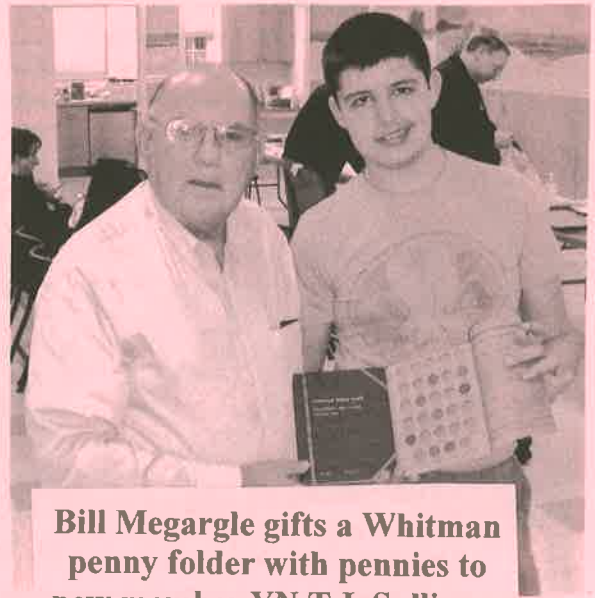
For a four hour (4 to 8 pm) show on a Thursday, attendance was very good.



Ernie and Pete at their table



**Late afternoon
hot dog snack**



Bill Megargle gifts a Whitman penny folder with pennies to new member YN T.J. Sullivan.



The Guinta family was the winner of the gold coin photo at the show.



YN's at a recent meeting with their homework prizes or show and tells. Back row - (l to r) Cedric, T.J. and Kyle front - Georgia, Andrew and Gavin

EDITOR'S 2 CENTS WORTH!

By Jim Majoros

"Weird New Jersey"

I'm sure many of our members have seen or own a magazine with the subject title of "Weird New Jersey," sold at many news stands in the area. In an April edition of the Asbury Park Press, they covered one of the stories in that magazine. It was about Francis LeRoy Henning of Erial, NJ which I "assume" is a small town in Camden County. Henning was notorious for counterfeiting the "1944 Henning Nickel."

In the early 1950's, Henning, a counterfeiter by trade, set out to fake Jefferson nickels from the World War II era. He claimed to cut the dies for his coins directly from real coins using a machine he invented, but this has been disputed by coin collectors. Henning forgot one important impression: the mint mark of the state of origin on the back of his coins. (*Editor note: Press article said "state of origin" but should have said "mintmark" as it would have been either P, D, or S as we all know.*)

It's been estimated that he produced almost a half-million of them in 1954 and nearly 100,000 of them went into circulation before the Camden County Coin Collectors Club noticed the missing mint mark and tipped the Secret Service early in 1955, who traced the operation back to Henning's home. Henning dumped an estimated 200,000 of his nickels in the Cooper River in Cherry Hill before fleeing to Cleveland, Ohio. Only 12,000 of those coins have ever been recovered. Another 200,000 of those coins have ever been recovered. Another 200,000 may have been dumped into the Schuylkill River in Pennsylvania, none of which were ever found.

The coins that did go into circulation are occasionally found in pocket change and collectors have paid from \$10 to \$15 for each Henning nickel that surfaces. Although technically it is illegal to own counterfeit money, there is a market for them among coin buffs. Henning was arrested in 1955 in Cleveland and pleaded guilty to counterfeiting nickels. He was sentenced to three years in jail with a \$5,000 fine. Another three years were tacked on to his sentence for previously counterfeiting \$5 bills.

An individual associated with the West Jersey Detecting Club, continues to search for the nickels in areas he believes they would be located.

A couple of years ago, we printed an article about Henning and his nickels. It was stimulated by Bill Boss, who joined our club in 2009 and was a member of the Camden Coin Club when the Secret Service visited their club investigating the counterfeiting. Long time club member Bill Swochuk was a collector of the nickels and had over a dozen of them. Bill passed away in February 2014.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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E-mail: _____

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(If under 18, list the year: _____)

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(List members on reverse side)

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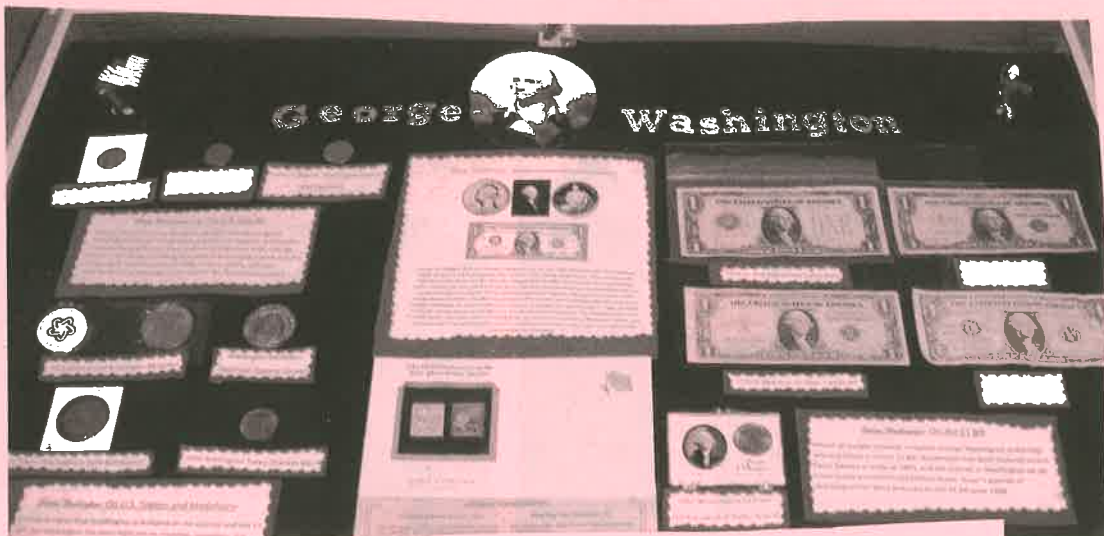
SHOW PHOTOS



Kari Brower (center) receiving her ANA Certificate of a "Points of Numismatic Light Award from Jim Majoros (l) with a few of club members that were able to gather around to witness the presentation.



Kari (l) at her table working with the club to distribute club raffle books. Jeff Thompson standing beside her was monitoring club sales. At right is Bill Morris who handled the registration throughout the show.



Above is exhibit by YN Cedric Derecho that took two prizes.

**RAFFLE BOOKS READY
FOR DISTRIBUTION**
Need help of all members!

At the National Coin Week Show of April 16, Kari Brower distributed this year's raffle books to the members that attended. We now have to get them to those that did not attend the show either via our next couple of meetings or mail. This is our major income source so we are asking all members to step up and sell as many chances as you can. Extra books are available -- just ask.

Prizes this year include a Five Dollar Gold Indian Head along with an MS-63 Silver Dollar, an American Eagle, a proof set and an uncirculated silver eagle. Please help the club and sell whatever you can.

Drawing takes place at our 45th Anniversary show on Saturday, October 17th at the firehouse.

*****DUES DUE JUNE 4th*****

Hope everyone is on schedule to insure we have your 2015-2016 dues paid by the meeting of June 4th. Late payers are assessed an additional \$5 so the club's treasurer does not have to chase members the balance of the year. Regular dues are \$15 for adults, \$10 for youngsters under 18 and \$20 for family membership.

THANKS TO JIM HART!

Member Jim Hart of the Palm Beach Coin Club in Florida sent our club a copy of the Palm Beach Coin News for our info that included articles that we most likely could use in our Sand Dollar in the coming months. Amongst their names of officers, I noted President Tony Swicer and Director Sandy Pearl, both of whom worked with the ANA and are very active in numismatics.

The Palm Beach club has probably the largest membership of any coin club in the U.S. They currently have 358 members. The club meets at the American Polish Club in Greenacres and their website is: pbcc@anaclubs.org

CLUB PROFILE – Dolly Harris

You are now going to know a little bit more about our Club Treasurer, Dolly Harris, appointed to the position in July 2013. Dolly brings to our club a very active career that includes 20 years of military service, a Jackson Memorial High School graduate and a BS in Biology from Rider College in Lawrenceville. From there, it just continued on with Dolly being sworn in the NJ Army National Guard in 1988 and retiring as a Major on December 31, 2008.

During the interview, I asked her why she decided to join the military service. Without hesitation, she gave me two reasons: "Patriotism and adventurous."

During her military service, she served in Iraq holding positions of Platoon Leader, Company Commander, Inspector General that included traveling in eight countries and 35 states. Her education did not stop at Rider. She earned an Associate Degree in Dental Hygiene at Middlesex County Community College as well as a Masters degree in Education from Central Michigan University and just recently was voted in the Jackson Memorial High School Hall of Fame.

Dolly completed a number of military courses and was the first female officer accepted in the VFW Brick Post 8867, appointed as their Junior Vice Commander. She currently serves on the NJ VFW Women's Veterans Committee.

Her non-military activities include Scuba Diving (while in Fiji, Key West, Bonaire and Grand Cayman) with 50 dives to her credit.

She has been tremendously active with the Wounded Warrior Project involving adaptive snow and water skiing, bike riding, ropes course and equine therapy. Just last month, she received the Unsung Military Hero Award from the Eight Flames of Hope Foundation.

"2 Cents worth"

When someone offers you a "penny for your thoughts," and you put in your two cents worth, what happens to the other penny?

YOUNG NUMISMATIST (YN) page 7

A short quiz on the names of our leaders in the club and also returning to some of the state quarter names just to refresh you memories and also for our new members – use the generic answer sheet for your replies if convenient. Send them in via e-mail or at the next meeting.

Homework for June 4

- 1 – Who is the club Vice President?
- 2 – Who is the club Treasurer?
- 3 – Who is the club Recording Secretary?
- 4 – Who is the club auctioneer?
- 5 – What club member received the new ANA Point of Light Award?



Homework for June 18

- 1 – What state quarter is the “Bay State” quarter?
- 2 - What state quarter is the “Jamestown State” quarter?
- 3 – What state quarter is the “Magnolia State” quarter?
- 4 – What state quarter is the “First Flight State” quarter?
- 5 – What state quarter is the “Peach State” quarter

CLUB NEWS by Bill Smith - - - -



Meeting of April 2, 2015 had 38 attend and 78 lots were auctioned off.

Guinta family and Walt Pietras won the evening prizes. Bob Holloway discussed the attendance at the Trenton show and Dennis gave his information about the show at Baltimore. Below are photos of our YN Director, Gary Catlin presenting homework prizes to TJ Sullivan (l) and Gavin Heagele.



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Junior program - 6:45 pm
Regular meeting - 7:30 pm