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RNA Summer Picnic
August 28, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.
Whitebrook Park on Aldrich Road off Route 31 in Perinton.

$10 per adult

Meat provided, but please bring a side dish to pass.;

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Regular **RNA** meetings are held from September to June at 7:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month (see Calendar for possible schedule exceptions at Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays) at **Eisenhart Auditorium** of the **Rochester Museum & Science Center, 657 East Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607**. The auditorium is the glass front building behind the Museum. **Enter and exit through the main entrance, and turn left to go up the ramp to the ballroom. We will continue to have these meetings on Zoom for members who cannot attend in person.**

From Our President

Greetings fellow numismatists! I am honored and humbled to become the next President of our esteemed organization.

My coin collecting days began as a wee lad sorting through the "wheat" cents that my grandmother used as bingo markers. Among the many enticements of our hobby is the opportunity to discover diamonds in the rough. In my case, that meant an early teens "S" mint mark penny! I was instantly hooked and this endless search of something rare or unique is what, I believe, is at the heart of our beloved hobby. Whether it be searching loose change or finding that highly sought-after rarity to complete a collection, the journey is never over.

Numismatics also gave me a newfound appreciation for the history that is attached to our coinage. The 1943 copper penny and silver trade dollars of the late 19th century are great lessons in global economics. In fact, my interest in numismatics is the likely genesis of my career in finance!

My ultimate numismatic goal is to obtain a complete high grade U.S. type coin set. Recently, other priorities in life have overshadowed this endeavor, but it's something that I will always be working toward. I couldn't ask for better priorities in life and they take the form of an awesome wife, Lisa, and two amazing children, Lucas and Olivia.

I hope to see and get to know many of you better at our regular meetings this year. Additionally, our Annual Picnic will take place on Sunday August 28th at the White Brook Nature Area on 250 Aldrich Road in Fairport. Purchase your tickets online if you haven't already done so!

I'm looking forward to continuing the great work and governance that past Presidents have brought to this club!

Kevin B. Rankin

Changes to Elongated Coin Collecting
At Universal Orlando Resort

By
Richard Jozefiak
Part 2

Harry Potter elongated cents. There are three rolling machines with eight designs each ($5 for eight designs), but none of the rolling machines are located in the Harry Potter sections of the theme parks! When I inquired about the reason for this, I was told that the author of Harry Potter, J.K. Rowling, would not approve of rolling machines (or *Coca-Cola* products for that matter) in the Harry Potter sections.

The Harry Potter rolling machines are located:

Citywalk- Universal Main Store
Islands of Adventure- Port of Entry Universal Main Store
Universal Studios of Florida- Entrance Universal Main Store

Only old 51¢ Rolling Machine Found at Universal

(Photo by Richard Jozefiak)

The rolling machine below was the only one of its kind that I found in any of the places I visited at Universal Orlando Resort. The rolling machine is still 51¢. It is located at Universal's Islands of Adventure, Jurassic Park section, Jurassic Park Discovery Center, lower level in back.

During my January 2022 Orlando, FL stay, I went to other places in the area and found more rolling machines. These rolling machines were like the current Universal ones, they cost $1 per design and take $1 notes or use credit and debit cards. The cents used are zinc ones. I guess that more rolling machines will be converted to the new $1 type as time goes on.

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Pocket Change – By Christopher Kasulaitis

I'm not sure of the best way to start the article this time, so let's hop right in. I haven't been able to stop thinking about Otis Redding's – "Sitting on the Dock of the Bay" , even though the closest I typically get is "Sitting on the Pier at the Lake" , which isn't too far off I suppose. Maybe some of you might prefer something along the lines of the Beatles – "Sgt. Peppers Lonely Heart Club Band" , which I personally wonder if there might be a hint of brass inspiration from Leroy Anderson's - Bugler's Holiday, probably not, but another interesting tune nonetheless.

I recently received a quarter back , no O line or mintmark, and found that George Washington's head looked a little different than I was expecting. The obverse looked somewhat similar, but still seemed off or different, although not terribly so. Probably just the bust changing directions and slightly bigger head and looking more like the older Washington Quarters. So, obviously I had to turn it over to see what the reverse content held. I flipped it over to see what I'm about to learn and find Dr. Sally Ride. One of the American Women Quarters that started up this year, 2022, and these style quarters are supposed to continue through until 2025.

I think the American Women Quarters are quite timely, as each person who appears on them has made significant contributions for our country; otherwise they would not have found their way onto these quarters. I think we could all use some inspiration at different times, maybe even right now for some people. So maybe these quarters will be inspirational for some. So far this year, the American Women Quarters that have been released are Maya Angelou and Dr. Sally Ride, and scheduled to be released later this year are Wilma Mankiller, Nina Otero-Warren and Anna May Wong.

Finding this new Dr. Sally Ride quarter prompted my curiosity in several areas, one of which was to comb through my pocket to see what other quarters I might have in there. I found an America the Beautiful Quarter, 2018 Block Island and a 1994 Washington Quarter. All of them had P mintmarks on the obverse indicating a Philadelphia mintage, and all were simply pocket change.

Then I dug into the other pocket with lint and dirt and twigs and flowers and what not and found - that was all that was in there. But it made me think about other coins that I used to be able to find as pocket change and one of my favorite coins that I had stumbled across at an early age was the Bicentennial quarter. I remember going to the bank to deposit money from delivering the local newspaper and somehow I ended up with this quarter that looked pretty similar on the obverse to the other quarters of the time, except it had two dates on the front instead of just one date and on the reverse it had a cool, patriotic looking drummer. This quarter was a big hit for me, because I really enjoyed percussion instruments, and I enjoyed seeing this uniformed person playing on a drum. Who doesn't like to listen to Gene Krupa and Buddy Rich and check out old battlefields? So this coin was a big hit for me, and I thought this coin was pretty cool, AND they were only made for one year. However, this was quite the pedestrian coin for most other people, especially due to the extremely high mintage for this year.

On the following quarter dollar images crescendo, you can see the double dates on the obverse, on the reverse the patriotic drummer with the designer's initials under the drummer's left elbow, JLA, and I even tossed in a picture of the reeded edge because there's more than two sides to a coin.

Do you have a coin, medal, currency note, etc that you recall from a young age that you really enjoyed and that you would like to share? I'm sure the club would enjoy reading and/or hearing about it!
I talked a fair amount about quarters in my pocket, cause we can't all be a Jimmy Buffet – "A Pirate Looks at Forty", and possibly walking around with gold doubloons in your pocket. I don't have anything to support this idea, I just figure that if you can "buy Miami", you could try to reason, with or without the hurricane, that you could have a doubloon as pocket change. Currently, I like the Jesse Rice song – "Too Drunk to Meet Jimmy Buffet", which may explain why I just have some quarters as my pocket change.
No matter though, I think we can all enjoy what we come across and what we have, while we have it.
Here's a list of mainstream U.S. quarters and their production dates as a refresher:
Draped Bust (1796-1807)
Capped Bust (1815-1838)
Liberty Seated (1838-1891)
Barber [Liberty Head] (1892-1916)
Standing Liberty (1916-1930)
Washington (1932-1998)
States and Territories (1999-2009)
America the Beautiful (2010-2021)
American Women (2022-2025)

RNA 50th Anniversary

Billing itself as the "third oldest organized group of coin collectors in the United States" the RNA was prosperous and strong as it launched into its 50th anniversary celebration under co-chairs John Jay Pittman and Robert Ogg and president Herbert VandenBrul...Letters went out to prominent numismatists all over the nation, inviting them to a gala dinner on January 6, 1962 at the Powers Hotel. Once again, Alphonse Kolb (now the club's "member #1" following the death of Bauer earlier in the year) prepared a medal, this time featuring a seated Liberty figure on the obverse. Medals sold for $5 for a set in bronze and nickel-silver and $10 in sterling silver, and were presented along with a gold-covered program book in which historian Charles Ricard noted, "It is hoped that we can celebrate the Rochester Numismatic Association's Century of Progress in Numismatics on January 4, 2012."

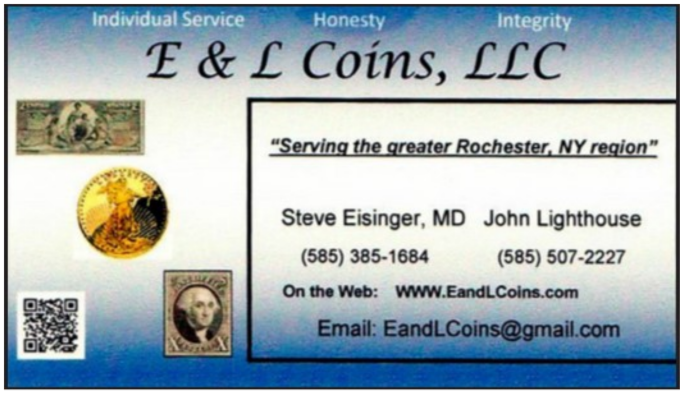
By Scott Fybush

(more to come)

RNA Dues

Our RNA dues of $30 for 2022-23 are due now!

Please send your dues to the club's post office box or pay them online.



RNA Events Calendar

RNA Board Meeting at Grinnell's……..……...July 20th: 7:00 p.m.
RNA Picnic…….……August 28th: 1:00 p.m.
RNA Meeting……...……..September 14th: 7:30 p.m.
RNA Meeting……September 28th: 7:30p.m.
RNA Banquet at Grinnell's……...……...September 30th: 6:00 p.m.

RNA meetings at the RMSC are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 7:30-9:00 p.m..

*Members are welcome to attend RNA Board meetings.

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