THE NORTHWEST COIN CLUB

Newsletter – November 2020



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The **November Meeting** of the Northwest Coin Club will be conducted on Zoom at 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, November 12, 2020. The Zoom invitation is expected to go out on Tuesday, November 10, 2020. Watch for that invitation.

Mark Borckardt ANA Numismatist of the Year for 2020

The November Zoom presentation will be made by Mark Borckardt who is a senior numismatist with Heritage Auctions in Dallas. Mark was born in St. Paul, Minnesota, but did not attend a meeting of the Northwest Coin Club before he moved to Ann Arbor, Michigan, at age three.

Mark is the son of Jack Borckardt, who served as a Presbyterian minister from 1953 to 1974, including service from 1957 to 1960 on the University of Minnesota campus, and as a speech professor at Findlay (Ohio) College (now University of Findlay) from 1965 to 1980. In Findlay, Jack and Mark operated Fort Findlay Coins and later Collectors Cabinet. Jack returned to Minnesota occasionally to take a table at the October MOON show.



Mark worked for Bowers and Merena from 1989 to 2004, before they merged with Stack's. He was a senior numismatist, cataloguer and later vice president. He left to join his current firm, Heritage Auctions as a senior numismatist and cataloger in 2004.

He was the final editor for *Walter Breen's Encyclopedia of Early United States cents* 1793-1814 which was published in 2000, and has been the Historian for EAC since 2007.

Borckardt was also part of the team that relocated and authenticated the missing Walton specimen of the 1913 Liberty nickel.

He received the highest award from the Numismatic Literary Guild, the Clemy in 2016. He received an ANA President's Award in 2018, and he was recently honored by the ANA as their 2020 Numismatist of the Year.

Outside of numismatics, Mark is married with three children and one grandchild. He is active with bowling leagues and has bowled 11 perfect 300 games, most recently two weeks ago.

Newman Numismatic Portal Seminar 2020

The Newman Numismatic Portal conducted a seminar on Zoom over August 28-30, 2020. Video of these 42 presentations are now available on-line. Many of these could be a program for our club meeting.

NWCC member Franklin N. made one of the presentations. He highly recommends these videos which are available through this link.

https://nnp.wustl.edu/library/multimediadetail/539070>

List of Club Member Interests.

At the September club meeting, members reported their areas of interest so these could be compiled and shared with other members. In the October issue of the club newsletter, we asked for additional members to report on their areas of collecting interests. Two club members responded.

Upcoming Coin Shows

November 21, 2020, Saturday, 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 p.m. Roseville Skating Center, 2661 Civic Center Drive, St. Paul, MN 55113

November 22, 2020, Sunday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. South St. Paul VFW, 111 Concord Exchange, South St. Paul, MN 55075

2020 PAN Show

The Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists (PAN) held their fall 2020 coin show over October 29-31. With about 95 dealers and daily attendance of 300, their show is similar in size to the Northwest Coin Club Money Show.

Our show committee will be reviewing the success of their show as we plan for the potential of conducting our 2020 Money Show.

People attending were required to fill out a health screening form and had their temperatures checked before they could enter.



One view of the bourse floor.
The show had wide aisles and three feet between tables.

