# **Madison County**

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#### **The President's Corner**

Greetings Everyone,

The Club conducted its first "virtual" coin meeting in June. It was our first meeting since February! We had eight participants, including Richard Jozefiak who joins us from Georgia. Julian Olander hosted the meeting and gave a very nice presentation on Balboa coins. It was interesting to learn that the majority of the vintage Balboa coins were minted in the US! Great job Julian! We will closely monitor the health of the community in the upcoming months and determine if virtual meetings are our best option to preserve the health of our members and guests. Please check our website often for updates.

Stay Safe!

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"Numismatics, like some aspects of astronomy and natural history, remains a branch of learning in which the amateur can still do valuable work, and it is on the great collecting public, or rather on that part of which is interested in the subject at a scientific level, that the progress of numismatic science largely depends."

Philip Grierson - Professor of Numismatics, University of Cambridge

## The Commemorative Coins of the Weimar Republic: Part 15 – the 700<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Death of Vogelweide

Our numismatic travels thru the coinage of the Weimar Republic takes us this month to visit a series of coins minted in 1930. A 3 mark coin was issued for the 700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Vogelweide and minted at all six German mints. The coin commemorates the 700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Vogelwiede. The obverse shows the seated figure of Walther von der Vgelweide (Walter of the Bird Meadow), chin on his hand, and reading from a scroll. Besides him lies a sword on his right and a lyre on the left, both at his feet. To the left of shoulder appears the crest in the form of a bird cage, with two other birds flying about him to the right. These symbols represent the tools of his talents; the lyre upon which he strummed and the scroll which contained the words of his poetry. The birds signify his communion with and love for things of nature. The sword is a reminder of his dabblings in the political affairs of this time, and his attempts to keep before the minds of his countrymen the belied in German freedom.



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NGC Price Guide for the 1930 German Vogelweide Commemorative				
Year	Mintage	XF	MS 60	MS 63
1930A	162,570	\$ 150.00	\$220.00	\$ 250.00
1930D	42,180	\$ 100.00	\$230.00	\$ 260.00
1930E	22,350	\$ 180.00	\$230.00	\$ 260.00
1930F	30,090	\$ 200.00	\$260.00	\$ 320.00
1930G	18,300	\$ 180.00	\$230.00	\$ 260.00
1930J	24,510	\$ 200.00	\$250.00	\$ 320.00

### **Inclement Weather Notice**



If the Huntsville City Schools are closed due to inclement weather, then the Huntsville Senior Center is closed. There will be no club meeting if the Huntsville Senior Center is closed. Local TV and radio stations will give notice of any Huntsville school closure.

### Madison County Coin Club Website Update

Our Madison County Coin Club website (<u>http://mccc.anaclubs.org/</u>) has two new links that will give you access to all our previous newsletters dating back to 2005! We also have a link to programs that are presented at club meetings! This gives you an opportunity to read previous articles posted in our newsletters, as well as, review recent programs. These resources can be very useful in increasing your knowledge on specific coins, a series, types, and other coin-related topics. Go check it out!

> Read our previous newsletters at: http://mccc.anaclubs.org/newsletters/

Read our previous programs at: http://mccc.anaclubs.org/programs/

#### **MCCC** is now on Facebook



The Madison County Coin Club is now on Facebook. The newly created Facebook page has pictures of recent meetings, schedules of upcoming events like the Huntsville Coin show, and post from members. Navigate to: <a href="http://www.facebook.com/MadisonCountyCoinClub">http://www.facebook.com/MadisonCountyCoinClub</a>.

Post comments - Visit the page and don't forget to "Like" us.

#### An Introduction to the Guernsey Double

The Guernsey Doubles (pronounced *doobulls*!) were a coinage unique to Guernsey and were first struck in 1830. Eight Doubles coins were issue (equal to one British Penny), along with Four Doubles (equal to one Halfpenny), Two Doubles (equal to one Farthing) and One Double (half Farthing). All were initially copper coins and latter minted in bronze. The One and Four Doubles was the earliest copper coins minted for Guernsey in 1830. The Eight Doubles coins appeared next in 1834. Finally, the Two Doubles coin was first struck in 1858.



The Guernsey 4 doubles were first minted in 1830

The Eight Doubles coin was based for its first issues, in size and weight, on the British Penny. When after 1860, the Penny coin was reduced in size and struck in bronze, the Eight Doubles coin followed suit. The Four Doubles was correspondingly reduced as well, but the Two and One Doubles continued unchanged.



Many varieties of exists based upon the number of berries in the wreaths!



A set of two doubles consists of 16 coins minted from 1858 thru 1929. Mintages range from 14,524 to 79,100.



The obverse of the 1899 one double.



The reverse of the 1899 one double struck at the Heaton Mint.

The Eight Doubles and Four Doubles coins were then issued virtually unchanged until 1949. The first Elizabeth II issues of 1956 were a redesign. This design continued until the coins were discontinued in 1966.

No Two Doubles coins were struck after 1929, but the tiny One Double continued to be issued until 1938, despite its very low denomination.

None of the coins ever portrayed the Monarch's head. All denominations showed on their obverse the Arms of Guernsey (three lions) within a shield; and their value on the reverse, together with the date of issue.

## New ANA eLearning Academy Provides Taste of Summer Seminar

Collectors Can Register for Free Condensed Courses

During what would have been the American Numismatic Association's (ANA) annual Summer Seminar event – June 29-July 10, the Association will instead offer free virtual courses through its new ANA eLearning Academy. Eleven courses that would have been offered during the week-long Summer Seminar will be offered in a condensed one- to two-hour online format. Courses are open to both ANA members and non-members; there is no charge to participate but preregistration is required. Summer Seminar is a once-a-year opportunity that offers collectors a varied selection of week-long courses designed for discovery or continued study. COVID-19 forced the cancellation of the 2020 event – the first time in the program's 50-plus year history.

Although these online classes are not a replacement for Summer Seminar, they provide a sampling of select courses offered during the popular summer event. ANA eLearning Academy courses during this block include:

#### Two-hour classes —

- Grading 101 • June 30, 11 a.m. MDT
- Detection of Counterfeit and Altered Coins July 2, 12 p.m. MDT
- Introduction to Early U.S. Paper Currency: 1765-1865 • July 6, 12 p.m. MDT
- Understanding the Art of Rare Coin Submissions July 6, 2:30 p.m.
- The Modern Minting Process: Errors and Varieties July 7, 12 p.m. MDT
- Collecting and Investing in Morgan Dollars: A Comprehensive Approach
  - $\circ$  July 8, 12 p.m. MDT

#### Two-hour classes —

- Mexican Voices in Metal and Paper • July 9, 1 p.m. MDT
- Creating a Great Club Newsletter • July 10, 11 a.m. MDT

#### One-hour classes —

- Young Collectors Panel • June 29, 12:30 p.m. MDT
- CAC and its "Green Beans" • July 1, 1 p.m. MDT
- $\bullet$  Italian Numismatics: Insights Through Modern History  $\circ$  July 3, 10 a.m. MDT

After this first round of courses, the ANA eLearning Academy will continue to offer two to three classes each month to the collecting community. Class topics are designed to appeal to a range of collectors – from beginners to advanced numismatists.

For detailed class descriptions and to register, visit **info.money.org/elearning**; or contact Seminars Manager Brianna Victor at (719) 482-9865 or at **seminars@money.org** for more information.

The American Numismatic Association is a congressionally chartered, nonprofit educational organization dedicated to encouraging the study and collection of coins and related items. The ANA helps its 28,000 members and the public discover and explore the world of money through its vast array of educational and outreach programs, as well as its museum, library, publications and conventions. For more information, call (719) 632-2646 or visit **money.org**.

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