Kampeska Coin Club, Watertown, SD 57201

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Our next meeting is Monday, September 15th (the 3rd Monday of the month) at 7:00 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 600 W Kemp Ave, Watertown, SD 57201. If you haven't attended a meeting recently, please make plans to attend. Bring a friend or two that might have an interest in collecting coins, currency, and stamps. New members are always welcome! If you need a ride, please contact one of our club officers.

We have added several new members this Spring and Summer: Boone P., Chad W., and James W. Welcome to the Kampeska Coin Club!

This month's show and tell topic is: Gold Coins and Currency (both US and Foreign). October's topic will be: Coins and Currency with animals (excluding Eagles), U.S. and Foreign.

Les T. fell on Saturday and broke his foot. He spent Saturday afternoon in surgery. Let's wish him the best in his recovery!

Gold and silver continue to be on fire! As I write this, gold is trading at \$3593.60 a troy ounce (an all-time dollar high) and silver is trading at \$40.92 a troy ounce, down from a 14 year high of \$41.16, set last week. Platinum is at \$1389.00, down from its high of \$1455 set in June. Finally, Palladium is \$1131 an ounce, down from a high of \$1286.00 also set in June.

With these high prices, a lot of 90% silver, Foreign silver, and pre-1933 gold is being melted.

Upcoming Coin Shows:

Sept 13-14	Midwest Gold & Silver Coin Show, Sioux Falls Convention Center, 1201 N. West Ave, Sioux Falls, SD
Sept 20	Black Hills Coin and Stamp Show, Spearfish Senior Center, 1306 10 th St, Spearfish, SD
Sept 28	Mid Minnesota Coin Expo, St. Cloud Kelly Inn, 100 4th Ave. S., Saint Cloud, MN
Oct 4-5	13 th Annual Coin Show, 2400 10 th St SW, Minot, ND
Oct 9-11	Denver Coin EXPO, National Western Complex, 4655 Humboldt St., Denver, CO
Oct 10-11	Virginia Beach Coin Show, Virginia Beach Convention Center, 1000 19 th St.
Oct 19	Tri-State Coin Show, Diamond Jo Casino, 777 Diamond Jo Lane, Dubuque, IA
Oct 17-19	Vegas National Coin Show, Tuscany Suites and Casino, 255 E. Flamingo, Las Vegas, NV
Oct 25	South Dakota Coin and Stamp Association. Codington County Extension Building, 1910
	W. Kemp Ave, Watertown, SD
Nov 22	22 nd Annual Coin Shows of North Dakota, 3333 13 th Ave. S., Fargo, ND

World's Fair of Money a Resounding Success

Coin lovers packed Oklahoma City for the ANA's World's Fair of Money, where rare finds, new releases, and the 2025 COTY Awards made headlines.

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This year, coin enthusiasts from around the country, and even around the world, congregated in Oklahoma City for the annual <u>American Numismatic Association's World's Fair of Money.</u> The Bourse was bustling, and dealer booths were busy. There was plenty to do and see, including famous figures Benjamin Franklin, George Washington, and Abraham Lincoln.

Throughout the week, show-goers enjoyed a busy schedule of events, from lecture series and Money Talks forums to coin club meetings and award banquets.

The bourse boasted tables with rare finds and new issues, and the U.S. Mint released multiple new coins, which resulted in a long line leading from their booth for most of the show. The other world mint displays didn't disappoint either, with marvelous modern collectibles that stirred the imagination on the endless possibilities in coinage.

The staff at *Numismatic News* and sister publication *World Coin News* kept their eyes out for any 2025-dated coins that they might see in next year's Coin of the Year nominations list. In conjunction with the show, this year's Coin of the Year (COTY) ceremony was held on Thursday, August 21. The event honored the best-of-the-best in coin design and innovation for 2024-dated coins. The ceremony started with speeches made by Active Interest Media's Corinne Zielke, ANA President Tom Uram, COTY Nominating Committee member and enthusiast Donald Scarinci, and Journal of East Asian Numismatics publisher Michael Chou, who also presented the first award for the Most Historically Significant category. We're already looking forward to the 2026 World's Fair of Money, which will be held in Pittsburgh, Pa. For more information on this year's event or to look ahead to next year, visit money.org. [Editor's note: Kampeska Coin club had two members at the show, Michael F. and Lee R. We are expecting a full report on Monday!]

The Istituto Poligrafico e Zecca dello Stato release greatly anticipated Winter Olympic gold coins.

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An exceptional collection of gold and silver coins in celebration of the Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games of Milan Cortina 2026 was launched earlier this year. The collection features the Olympics most iconic symbols of the logo of the event, the journey of the flame, the mascot and the winter disciplines associated with the host locations. Each coin in the collection is a tribute to the magic of sport and to Italy.

A joint bid by Milan and Cortina d'Ampezzo was awarded the 2026 Winter Olympics at the 134th IOC Session on the 24th June 2019, winning the bid over Stockholm and Åre in Sweden. These will be the first Olympic Games to be officially co-hosted by multiple cities, with Milan primarily hosting ice events, and the remaining events being hosted in clusters around Cortina, and the Valtellina and Fiemme valleys. They will also mark the third Winter Olympics, and fourth overall, to be hosted by Italy as Cortina d'Ampezzo had previously hosted the 1956 Winter Olympics. The competition will involve 116 events in 8 sports and 16 disciplines and are expected to include more than 2900 athletes competing in the Games. This significant number also reflects the highest level of female representation making up 47% of the participants. The 2026 Winter Games will also include 86 countries that will send qualified athletes. The Olympic Committees of Russia and Belarus remain suspended for violating the Olympic Truce due to Russia's invasion and subsequent ongoing war with Ukraine.

At the 138th IOC Session in July 2021, the IOC approved a proposal by the organizing committee to add ski mountaineering as a debuting optional sport. It will consist of three medal events of

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men's sprint, women's sprint, and mixed relay. In February 2024, the International Ice Hockey Federation announced an agreement with the National Hockey League to allow its players to participate in the Olympic men's hockey tournament for the first time since 2014. The official Olympic medals of the Games were unveiled in Venice, designed as two halves that symbolize the culmination of an athlete and Para athlete's journey and of all those who have walked beside them along the way, and created by the Istituto Poligrafico e Zecca dello Stato – IPZS.

The emblem for the Olympic Winter Games Milano Cortina 2026 was designed by the international branding agency Landor/WPP who developed two shortlisted options for the Organizing Committee. The public then chose the winning logo entitled *Futura* through a global online vote in 2021. It was the first time the logo's choice was made by a public vote in the history of the Olympics. The design features an angular, drawing of the number 26 shown as single-line unbroken motion and depicted on a foggy window. The Games are scheduled to take place from the 6th to the 22nd February 2026 with the opening ceremony being staged at Milan's San Siro Stadium.

Designed by engraver Antonio Vecchio, the obverse side of the gold proof coins features the official logo of the Milano Cortina 2026 Winter Olympic Games centered. The logo is surrounded with a sunburst-effect broad edge decoration with the inscription **REPUBBLICA ITALIANA** superimposed over the linear edge and along the rim. In the inner circle, the inscription **GIOCHI OLIMPICI INVERNALI** (winter Olympic Games) is placed around the logo. The reverse side includes the official insignia of the Olympic flame which includes the stylized text **MILANO CORTINA 2026**. The inscription **VIAGGIO DELLA FIAMMA OLIMPICA** (journey of the Olympic flame) encircles the primary design. Shown to the left of the insignia is the denomination **50 EURO** on the right side is the letter R identifying the Mint of Rome along with the year of issue, 2025. Placed at the bottom left rim is the coin designer's name, **A.VECCHIO**.

DenominationMetalWeightDiameterQualityMintage Limit50 Euro999.9 Gold31.1 g.28 mm.Proof450

Released from the **27th August**, each coin is encapsulated and presented in an IPZS-branded custom case accompanied with a numbered certificate of authenticity. For additional information, please visit the <u>e-webshop</u> of the IPZS.

Please visit the Kampeska Coin Club website for additional articles and Numismatic websites.