

TEC President - 2020 Annual Report –
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A lot has taken place since our last annual meeting. We lost two individuals who had huge impacts on our hobby, Brad Ream and Ray Dillard. Then the pandemic hit causing numerous cancellations and changes to the way things are done. While the last six months have been difficult, I hope our hobby has been a source of delight for our members. As an indicator of the strength of our hobby, key events were memorialized on new elongated coins created by private individuals and our club.

Dillard Exhibit Awards were presented throughout the last 12 months when exhibits contained elongated coins. Exhibits with elongateds were at last year's World's Fair of Money, the PAN show, Hawaii State Numismatic Show, FUN Show, National Money Show, and the Michigan State Numismatic Society Show (an exhibit by one of our Junior Members that placed very well). Exhibits were also done by individuals on a local level.

A TEC Birthday elongated was mailed to our Junior members during their birth month.

TEC had a booth at the January FUN show in Orlando and the February National Money Show in Atlanta. The Mini-meets scheduled for St Louis and Rockville, IN were cancelled due to the pandemic. The Holly, MI Mini-Meet by the Marbutt's did take place in July, with good attendance. With the cancelation of the World's Fair of Money (scheduled for Pittsburgh) our annual meeting and auction will be done via Zoom meetings. This will be our first time hosting an on-line meeting and auction. Much work has been done behind the scenes to make this happen. Thank you to the Board for your willingness to give this a try! I hope it enables many of our members who normally can not attend the annual meeting and auction to be able to participate.

Our TEC Membership continued to grow, and our Facebook page now has more than 1,000 subscribers. We continue to recognize our long-time members. Lifetime Members and those reaching their 5, 10, 15 or 20 year TEC anniversary received special elongateds to celebrate their milestone. We also created awards that can be earned by the members including the TEC Presidential Merit Award, TECNews contributor award, and Recruiter Award. The design contest winners in both the Junior and Adult categories saw their design created as an elongated and our members received the annual Membership coin, show coins, special issuances and elongateds donated by our members for inclusion in TECNEWS.

Thanks to all the TEC members for being part of our great club. An extra thank you to the 2019-2021 TEC Board – your cooperation and support has been outstanding. Our Board works well together, handles their respective responsibilities, and willingly assists each other and our members. These volunteers devote their time and experience for the betterment of our organization. We would not be able to continue without a well-functioning Board; thank you for your willingness to serve.

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