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ANA's World's Fair of Money[®] is Almost Here !!

Welcome to Portland, by Larry Rowe (general chairman)

The greatest numismatic event in the nation is coming to the great Northwest. The American Numismatic Association annual anniversary show and convention will be held in Portland, Oregon this August 5th - 9th. After eight years of anticipation and planning, the time is almost upon us. No other numismatic event will generate as much excitement as this one will. The last time ANA was in the Northwest was in 1990 in Seattle, and in 1959 in Portland. There is no telling when ANA will return to the Northwest, if ever. Make plans now to attend and not miss this opportunity to experience the greatest numismatic show on earth.

Make your reservations now for hotel accommodations and car rentals. The ANA has reserved hundreds of hotel and motel rooms which are filling up fast. Don't miss out, get your reservations in now. Hotel reservation forms are available from the ANA (until July 1). There are also secondary rooms available. Contact Eric Holcomb at 253-850-2996 (e-mail EHolc48@aol.com) for a list of these rooms.

Why should anyone attend an ANA coin show and convention? If you are at all interested in collecting anything numismatic, this is the show for you. The bourse has the largest selection of material for every collector specialty in every price range. There will be large national dealers as well as smaller regional and local dealers to do business with. Chances are that you will find the special item you have been looking for. Heritage Numismatic Auctions will conduct a several session auction of some of the finest coins known. There will be several foreign mints in the bourse selling their products. Many members will exhibit their numismatic specialty in interesting displays. There will be talks and programs given by noted experts in several fields of collecting in the Numismatic Theater each day of the convention. Several clubs and specialty organizations will conduct annual meetings during the convention.

And if all that excitement is not enough, there is the social aspect of a convention. You will have the opportunity to meet people with similar interest as yours and make new friends. There is a banquet on Saturday evening that is always a fun event. There are scheduled tours available of Portland and surrounding area. There are evening events that you have a choice to attend, such as the "World Series of Numismatics" which is a Jeopardy-styled game featuring competing numismatists.

There is so much to see and do that it cannot all be described. The ANA convention would make a great family vacation or just several days away enjoying your hobby. The PNNA and the Convention Committee hope to see you in Portland.

Volunteers are needed to help man the information kiosk at the ANA Convention. If you would like to be part of the team, please contact Sandra Lockwood at 503-649-0128 or 503-591-5542 (fax), at your earliest convenience. Please let her know what day and hours you would like to work as there are openings for every day available.

President's Message

by Tom Sheehan

The American Numismatic Association World's Fair of Money® is going to be the big event of the year for most of us. The Canadian Numismatic Association will be having their convention the week before the ANA. In 1990 when the ANA was in Seattle the CNA also had their convention the week ahead. I don't know if there was any synergy involved but we both had great conventions. My bet is that it will happen again.

If you have never been to an ANA convention before you will be in for a numismatic treat. I never seem to have time to see and do all of what I want. The best way to approach the convention is to take a copy from the Numismatist of the scheduled events and high light the ones that you want to attend. Better leave an hour or two between each one to allow for talking with old friends. The displays will take half a day to view even if you just gloss over the areas that you don't collect. The bourse is a whole day in its self. You have to plan on scouting the bourse floor at least twice because half the dealers you want to see will either be busy or away on business when you get to their tables.

What ever your collecting interest is will be represented. It doesn't matter weather you collect odd and curious, gold 20's, foreign, paper or errors, you will have the opportunity to search for the rarities that only show up at major shows. Even if your budget is already stretched you will have the opportunity to view and maybe and hold the coins or paper money you dream about.

See you in Portland!

PNNA Officers (1998-2000)

installed at the April PNNA Convention

President	Tom Sheehan
1st Vice-Pres.	Bill McKivor
2nd Vice-Pres.	Larry Gaye
Secy./Treas.	Joseph E. Boling
Past President	J. Eric Holcomb
Directors	Richard Billings, Del Cushing, Marge Farnam, Robert Hall, Paul Longcrier, Scott Loos, Alex Pancheco, Larry Rowe, Robert Steinegger, and Bruce Wonder.
Dealer-Director	to be appointed

PNNA Officers Have a New Uniform

At the ANA Convention in August you will see some dark green jackets on a few individuals — this is the new PNNA distinctive blazer, meant to make the PNNA a little more visible at the national level. Several other regional and state organizations have distinctive blazers (such as orange for FUN, gold for Central States, bright blue for Michigan State). Ours are a bit less gaudy, but still conspicuous. If you have a question for a PNNA officer, look for a green jacket.

National Coin Week Competition

As announced in a previous Nor'wester, the PNNA is sponsoring a competition in 1998 for member clubs' NCW efforts, with the same prizes as in previous years — \$100, \$75, and \$50. Member clubs are encouraged to submit reports of their activities to Larry Rowe for consideration for these awards. *Some clubs have already entered; if your club intends to compete in 1998, send your report immediately to Larry Rowe, PO Box 61621, Vancouver, WA 98666.*

The ANA also provides a prize for the best NCW program conducted by an ANA member club. Consider submitting your reports to the ANA as well.

Puyallup Fair

The PNNA again sponsors a coin collecting table and exhibit at the Western Washington Fair, 11-27 September 1998. Several Puget Sound clubs have volunteered to sponsor one or more days of the fair by staffing the table. If you wish to work a shift or two and are not affiliated with a sponsoring club, or if you have an exhibit for the "permanent" display case, contact Joe Boling at the numbers in the letterhead.

Exhibits at the ANA

by Joe Boling

According to ANA HQ, somewhat over 80 exhibit applications were received for the Portland ANA. This is a bit under what we were hoping for (it includes non-competitive exhibits), but hopefully the quality will be high and the public will be well rewarded.

For the second time, the public will be admitted to the exhibit area before bourse hours (during the hour each day when dealers are in the bourse but the general public is not). The layout of the Portland convention center allows access to the exhibit area during non-bourse hours. Plan to spend some time each day looking at the exhibits. I GUARANTEE you will learn something. (This is the head judge speaking...!)

PNNA Exhibiting Makes a Comeback

by Larry Rowe, Exhibit Chairman

This year competitive exhibiting at the annual PNNA convention made a dynamic comeback. There were several exhibits entered on a competitive basis. The highest awards were made to persons who exhibited at PNNA for the first time, setting higher standards for future competition. Following are the results of this year's PNNA exhibit judging.

Byron F. Johnson, Jr. Memorial Best of Show Award — Robert K. Myles (Reno, NV), *Unusual Decimal Denominations of the Western World*

C.E. "Hep" Hepner Award (Best of Tokens, Medals and Decorations) — Robert K. Myles (Reno, NV), *Tokens and Currency of the United States Leper Colonies*

North Shore Numismatic Society Best Junior Award — Ashley M. Mearns (Puyallup, WA), *Three Coins from the Commonwealth*

Class 1, United States and Canadian Coins

1st — Rob Retz (Portland, OR), *The Birth of Our Nations Coinage*

2nd — Gerald Williams (Corvallis, OR), *Great Coin Designs ... and The Gold Surrender Order of 1933*

Class 3, Token, Medals and Decorations

1st — Robert K. Myles (Reno, NV), see Hepner Award

2nd — Theodore O. McCann (Everett, WA), *Lusitania*

Class 4, World Coins and Paper Money

1st — Robert K. Myles (Reno, NV), see Byron Johnson Award

2nd — Ashley M. Mearns (Puyallup, WA), see Best Junior Award

Also exhibiting on a non-competitive basis were the following:

Tom Sheehan (Seattle, WA), *Stock Exchange Medals and Tokens*

Eric Holcomb (Kent, WA), *The Northwest Company Beaver Token and a Little Known Modern Replica*

I wish to thank all of those who participated in exhibiting at the annual PNNA convention and coin show held this year in Portland, Oregon. I hope to see you back next year and encourage new participants to exhibit.

West Coast Coin Expo

by Joe Boling

Teresa Darling's commercial show in Seattle is no more. (This is because the Seattle International Trade Center is being converted to other uses.) Ms. Darling has withdrawn from sponsoring any further shows and has donated her stock of exhibit cases to the ANA. We have lost a national-level venue for dealers and a good opportunity for exhibitors to earn nice prizes while educating the public.

At the April 1998 West Coast Expo the following exhibits won the prizes indicated:

1st — Ellis Corets, *Authors in the Hall of Fame for Americans at New York University* (Constitution bicentennial \$5 gold piece)

2nd — Ellis Corets, *Coins of the Centennial of Mexican Independence* (1/10 ounce platinum American Eagle)

3rd — Eric Holcomb, *The North West Company Beaver Token and a Little-known Modern Replica* (1902 MS64RB Indian cent)

4th — Tom Sheehan, *Stock Exchange and Stock Broker Medals and Tokens* (silver replica of Continental Dollar)

Boling to Ride for Multiple Sclerosis

PNNA secretary/treasurer Joe Boling will be making a two-day 175-mile bicycle ride to benefit the National MS Society (in honor of longtime PNNA stalwart Marge Farnam) on the last weekend of July. The route this year is a loop from Everett to Port Townsend to Whidbey Island to Everett. If you wish to make a pledge to support this cause (either a fixed sum or an amount-per-mile), please contact him at the numbers in the letterhead. No payment is needed until after the ride is completed.

Did You Know?

The Mexico City Mint is the oldest coin facility in the new world that's still in existence. It produced its first coins in May 1536. During the 16th and 17th centuries, Mexico became the world's leading producer of silver, a position it still holds today.

For more than two and a half centuries Spanish colonial coins made at the Mexico City Mint became the world's universally accepted currency — from Boston to China, from South America to India.

Download the complete "Money Talks" scripts from the ANA at <ftp.money.org/ana>.

Minutes of PNNA general membership meeting — 12 April 1998, Portland OR

The meeting was called to order by President Eric Holcomb at 8:05a.m. Present were first vice president Tom Sheehan, secretary/treasurer Joe Boling, directors Del Cushing, Paul Longcrier, Scott Loos, Alex Pancheco, Larry Rowe, Robert Steinegger, and Steve Zieba, and about ten other members.

The treasurer's report for the month closing 31 March was distributed. The election report was submitted by Larry Rowe. Elected were Tom Sheehan (president); Bill McKivor (first vice president); Larry Gaye (second vice president); Joe Boling (secretary/treasurer); and directors Richard Billings, Del Cushing, Marge Farnam, Robert Hall, Paul Longcrier, Scott Loos, Alex Pancheco, Larry Rowe, Robert Steinegger, and Bruce Wonder. The following ballot question: "Shall the by-laws of PNNA be revised to eliminate the position of 2nd vice president at the next election, scheduled for the year 2000?" was passed 63 to 14 (a 2/3 majority of ballots submitted was required for passage). Boling distributed PNNA name badges to the new officers present.

President Holcomb thanked the membership for their support during his presidency. He then presented the Nina Nystrom Memorial Goodwill Ambassador award to Kathy and Larry Rowe for their services to the PNNA over many years. Upon his passing the gavel to Tom Sheehan, the officers of the PNNA changed to the newly elected slate. Present were president Tom Sheehan, second vice president Larry Gaye, secretary/treasurer Joe Boling, immediate past president Eric Holcomb, and directors Dick Billings, Del Cushing, Paul Longcrier, Scott Loos, Alex Pancheco, Larry Rowe, Robert Steinegger, and Bruce Wonder.

President Sheehan reported that 100 copies of the ANA's video tape *Money — History in Your Hands* were distributed to libraries in the PNNA's region, and 104 copies of the U.S. Treasury's tape *The Money Story* were mailed to schools in the Portland area.

The procedures for administering the Bob Everett Memorial award, which had been prepared by a committee appointed at the 15 February board meeting, were distributed and briefly discussed. Moved (Boling) and seconded (Gaye) to adopt the procedures. Passed.

The question of a location for the 1999 convention was discussed at length. No club has offered a bid to host the convention for 1999. Rob Retz, representing

the Willamette Coin Club, offered to host the convention again provided that the club members, at their next meeting, decide to run a spring show. He expects a decision within two weeks. The selection of a location for the 1999 convention was deferred.

Someone asked about details of the PNNA's meeting at the ANA convention; the meeting will be on Saturday morning and will be listed in the convention program.

The situation regarding lack of advertised cases for exhibitors at this year's convention was discussed (the Allstate cases borrowed from the Portland Coin Club had been distributed to dealers rather than being reserved for exhibitors, resulting in most exhibitors having to significantly modify their layouts to accommodate the PNNA's wood cases). The board had voted in April 1996 to buy 25 Allstate cases specifically for exhibitors, but had informally deferred the purchase while borrowing cases until the level of demand by exhibitors was determined. This year there were eight exhibits using standard cases (plus three exhibits using custom cases provided by the exhibitors). Two Allstate cases were provided by exhibitors, and eighteen additional cases were required. Those eighteen requirements were filled with twenty wood cases. The board decided to implement the purchase of the 25 cases that had been authorized in 1996, and to reserve them for exhibitors first at future conventions.

In light of this start of conversion of PNNA cases from wood to aluminum, disposal of the wood cases was proposed. Moved (Rowe) and seconded (Gaye) to sell wood cases on a one for one basis as new cases are acquired. Passed. The first cases to be sold will be the older less-well-finished cases, for \$10 each. When the better-finished cases are sold, they will go for \$15 each.

The present exhibit rules make all PNNA officers, as well as the convention exhibit chair and the chief judge and assistant chief judges, ineligible to exhibit competitively. This significantly reduces the number of potential exhibitors. Moved (Cushing) and seconded (Steinegger) to remove the restrictions on all of those named above except the chief judge and assistants. Passed.

Moved (Rowe) and seconded (Holcomb) to donate \$100 to the ANA as a patron of the Portland convention. Passed.

Del Cushing reported that Bill McKivor wants a list of speakers and programs that can be provided by the PNNA for member clubs. President Sheehan appointed McKivor to prepare such a list.

Ted McCann inquired why there is no longer a tangible memento for convention exhibitors (a ribbon, token, medal, etc). Sheehan, McCann, and McKivor will get together to work on ways to promote exhibiting.

Larry Rowe expressed the thanks of the outgoing board for Eric Holcomb's service through two terms as president; Eric received a round of applause from those present.

President Sheehan adjourned the meeting at 9:02. No separate board meeting was convened.

Minutes prepared by Joseph E. Boling, secretary

Bob Everett Memorial Award Fund

At this writing, in addition to the \$1000 "seed" donation, we have so far received \$3700 from other friends of Bob. \$1000 of this amount has been matched by the PNNA, resulting in a total in the fund on 18 June of \$5700 (plus accrued interest). That will provide a significant annual award to some deserving person who promotes numismatics in the Pacific Northwest.

The following individuals and firms have contributed to the fund since the last edition of The Nor'wester:

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PNNA Meeting at ANA

The PNNA will have a general meeting at 8:00 AM on Saturday August 8 at the ANA convention in Portland. Please be sure to invite any potential new members that you know about!

Wooden nickel issued by PNNA to promote ANA's 107th Anniversary Convention, August 5-9, 1998, Portland, OR. Black with red rose in reverse center. Please let Joe Boling or Del Cushing know if you could use some more of these woods before the convention!



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American Numismatic Association News

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Executive Director Leaves — Peggy A. Hoffman assumed her duties as executive director of the ANA on April 16, then announced her decision to leave the ANA on June 11, after less than two months of service. In the short term, the duties and responsibilities of the position will be shared by ANA's senior staff, with primary coordination through ANA's Chief Financial Officer, Wayne S. Abraham. The ANA is also seeking to fill the positions of education director, museum registrar, and numismatic assistant.

Portland Convention/Tours — Scheduled tours for the ANA World's Fair of Money® include a half-day Portland City Highlights tour on Wednesday (8/5), an all-day Oregon Coast trip on Thursday (8/6), the Friendship Luncheon on Friday (8/7) at the Chart House restaurant, and a Columbia River Gorge tour on Saturday (8/8). The ANA reports that "everything is shaping up for ANA's Portland Convention." 80% of the bourse is already sold. Hotel rooms are still available. *Reservations at the ANA rates must be made by July 1.*

Coin Grading Seminar — Collectors can learn the intricacies of the subjective "science" of coin grading by

enrolling in the ANA's intensive, three-day seminar entitled "How to Grade U.S. Coins," to be held in Portland August 1-3, just prior to the convention. Tuition is \$299 for members, or \$399 for non-members. Contact the ANA Education Department for details.

Exhibit Judges Program — To maintain a corps of qualified judges who support the high standards of exhibit competition, the ANA sponsors the Judges' Familiarization and Certification Program (JFCP). Those who satisfactorily complete the training are certified as ANA judges. Exhibitors who wish to learn more about the judging process also are invited to participate. The program is supervised by ANA Chief Judge Joseph E. Boling. See the Portland convention program for details, or contact Joe Boling beforehand.

Auctioneer for Philadelphia — The ANA Board of Governors awarded Auctions by Bowers & Merena the rights to conduct the ANA's auction at its World's Fair of Money® in Philadelphia in the year 2000. Bids from four auction houses were reviewed before making this decision. Heritage Numismatic Auctions, Inc. is the official auctioneer for this year's Portland convention.

Map to the Oregon Convention Center, site of the ANA convention, August 5-9, 1998

(Map not available in this PDF version.)

COIN SHOW CALENDAR

To list a show contact Del Cushing; P.O. Box 88984, Seattle, WA 98138; Phone 206-244-1596. Highlighted shows are PNNA sponsored or co-sponsored.

1998

JULY 11-12 NORTHWEST TOKENS & MEDALS 13TH ANNUAL CONVENTION, Marshall Recreation Center, Vancouver, Wa.

JULY 12 BELLEVUE COIN & COLLECTIBLES SUMMER SHOW, Bellevue Inn, 11211 Main St, Bellevue, Wa.

JULY 29-AUGUST 1 CANADIAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL CONVENTION AND COIN SHOW, Convention Inn, Edmonton, Alberta.

JULY 31-AUG 2 PORTLAND PRE SHOW "98", Holiday Inn, Portland Airport, Portland, Ore.

AUGUST 5-9 AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION 107TH ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION, Oregon Convention Center, Portland, Ore. See map on page 6.

AUG 9 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, Wa.

AUG 22-23 WASHINGTON STATE 19th ANNUAL COIN SHOW, LaQuinta Inn, Portland & I-5, Tacoma, Wa.

AUG 29-30 OREGON STATE 5th ANNUAL COIN SHOW, Sheraton Hotel, Portland Airport, Portland, Ore.

SEPT 12-13 NORTH SHORE NUMISMATIC SOCIETY'S 24TH ANNUAL COIN FAIR, Lonsdale Quay Hotel, Foot of Lonsdale St., North Vancouver, British Columbia.

SEPT 12-13 NORTHWEST COIN DEALERS, INC., Kent Commons, Kent, Wa.

SEPT 19-20 CAVEMAN COIN CLUB COIN & STAMP SHOW, Josephine County Fairgrounds, Redwood Highway, Grants Pass, Ore.

SEPT 19 KENT-VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, Kent, Wa.

SEPT 20 NORTHWEST TOKENS & MEDALS, King Oscars Motel, So. 88th & Hosmer, Tacoma, Wa.

SEPT 27 BELLEVUE COIN & COLLECTIBLES SHOW, Bellevue Inn, 11211 Main St., Bellevue, Wa.

OCT 11 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, Wa.

OCT 17 KIRKLAND/EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Kirkland Best Western, Kirkland, Wa.

OCT 24 NORTHWEST COIN DEALERS, INC., VFW Post #2995, 4330 148th Ave. N.E., Bellevue, Wa.

OCT 31-NOV 1 TACOMA-LAKEWOOD COIN CLUB SHOW, LaQuinta Inn, Portland & I-5, Tacoma, Wa.

NOV 7 OLYMPIA/SOUTH SOUND COIN SHOW, VFW Hall, 2902 Martin Way, Olympia, Wa.

NOV 14-15 TRI-CITY COIN CLUB SHOW, Hampton Inn, 486 Bradley Blvd., Richland, Wa.

NOV 21-22 EVERETT COIN CLUB'S 38TH ANNUAL SHOW, Normana Hall, Everett, Wa.

NOV 28-29 HOLIDAY COIN & COLLECTIBLES SHOW, LaQuinta Inn, Portland & I-5, Tacoma, Wa.

DEC 5 ISSAQUAH/EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Holiday Inn, Issaquah, Wa.

DEC 6 NORTHWEST TOKENS & MEDALS, King Oscars Motel, So.88th & Hosmer, Tacoma, Wa.

DEC 12 NORTHWEST COIN DEALERS, INC., East County Senior Center, 824 Village Way, Monroe, Wa.

DEC 13 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, Wa.

DEC 19 KENT-VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, Kent, Wa.

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JAN 2-3 GREATER TACOMA COIN SHOW, LaQuinta Inn, Portland Ave. & I-5, Tacoma, Wa.

JAN 16-17 BOEING EMPLOYEES' COIN & SPORTS CARD SHOW, Kent Commons, Kent, Wa.

FEB 6 KENT VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, Kent, Wa.

APR 10 KENT VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, Kent, Wa.
