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President's Message *by Scott Loos*

As we begin the transition into the fall collecting season, it is time to reflect on the numismatic events of the summer. I had initially intended to have a fairly quiet summer in which I could "catch up" on my inventory and prepare for the busy fall show season. Alas...it was not to be...!!! I ended up flying over 10,000 air miles, with layovers in ten different airports in seven states and one foreign country.

The summer began with a trip to the ANA summer seminar in Colorado Springs. The ANA education department is to be commended on the outstanding job that they do on this annual event. It was a full week of coins, fun, and numismatic fellowship. I heartily recommend that everyone attend at one time or another.

Four weeks after that I left for the ANA convention in Philadelphia, PA. The convention underscored the effect that the new dollar and quarter program has had in creating new interest in coinage and collecting. The convention drew nearly 21,000 people during the five day period – a new attendance record. Highlights included the \$20 million "Ship of Gold" from the 1857 wreck of the S.S. Central America, the striking demonstrations by the Gallery Mint, the \$6.95 million Bowers and Merena auction, and the well-attended display area.

It should be noted that the PNNA as well as some of its members received several awards during the convention. The PNNA received its 25 year member club plaque; Joe Boling received the Glenn Smedley Memorial Award for his longtime support of the ANA and the coin-collecting hobby; and I received the Terry Armstrong Outstanding ANA Regional Coordinator Award. In the exhibiting area, Tom Sheehan and Eric Holcomb received awards in their categories.

After returning from Philadelphia, Lisa and I left for a week on Aruba in the Dutch West Indies. Lisa had thought that this would be a week on the beach and away

from numismatics. You can only imagine how surprised she was when I found the numismatic museum...

Finally, Lisa and I are happy to announce that we have finally found the right opportunity that will allow us to move over to the Seattle area. The move should be completed by the beginning of October, and I am looking forward to being able to join some of the local coin clubs and be more active on the "other" side of the mountains.

Doing the Centennial Puyallup

The PNNA again sponsored a coin collecting table and exhibit at the Puyallup Fair, 8-24 September 2000. Several Puget Sound clubs volunteered to sponsor one or more days of the fair by staffing the table. Thank you to all of the clubs and individuals who assisted.

2001 PNNA Convention

After six years of successful conventions in Portland, sponsored by the Willamette Coin Club, the PNNA convention is moving back to Puget Sound. A show committee is working to conduct the 2001 convention in the Tukwila Community Center, a new facility that looks like it will make a good venue. The show will be May 4-6, 2001. See the story on page 2 regarding numismatic exhibiting at this convention.

PNNA Officers 2000-2002

President	Scott Loos
Vice-President	Larry Gaye
Secy./Treas.	Joseph E. Boling
Past President	Tom Sheehan
Directors	Richard Billings, Del Cushing, Marge Farnam, Eric Holcomb, Paul Longcrier, Ray Mah, Larry Rowe, William McKivor, Alex Panheco, and Bruce Wonder.
Dealer-Director	Art Lowrie

Exhibits at the 2000 ANA Convention

Over eighty competitive exhibits were shown at the Philadelphia ANA convention. Only four were from PNNA members. Ken Hill entered his PNNA best-of-show exhibit (assisted by the \$200 stipend that comes with winning that award), "A Bicentennial 27-cent Piece," in the US coins class. Eric Holcomb entered his exhibit "Apollo 13 30th Anniversary, 1970-2000" in the modern medals class (and won a second place award). Tom Sheehan entered two exhibits, one in the medals class ("Numismatic History of the New York Stock Exchange," third place) and one in the literature class ("Building a Set of The Numismatist," winner). Former PNNA YN coordinator Chris Shappel (now living in Delaware) won third place in the world coins category with an exhibit titled "Breaking the Vase: The Story of the end of the Ming Dynasty Through Coins."

PNNA officers Scott Loos, Tom Sheehan, John Wilson, and Joe Boling served as judges in Philadelphia.

Exhibits at the PNNA Convention

Now is the time to build your exhibits for next spring's PNNA convention in Seattle. There are also opportunities to show exhibits at the Everett show (November) and the Boeing show (January); use these shows as proving grounds for your May entries.

Don't forget that the best exhibitor at the PNNA convention earns \$200 toward the expense of taking the winning exhibit to the ANA convention in the same year (the ANA will be in Atlanta in 2001).

Any club that wants a program on exhibit-building should contact the PNNA secretary at the address/phone in the masthead.

Exhibits at the ANA 2001 Spring Convention (National Money Show™)

The ANA early spring convention in 2001 will be in Salt Lake City, close enough that many of our members can drive to it. The dates are 8-10 March (Thursday-Saturday, no Sunday hours). If you are interested in exhibiting there, write to ANA headquarters (attention Rachel Irish) and request the exhibit rules and application. The case limit for spring shows is completely different from summer shows (up to fifteen cases if you show only one exhibit), which provides an opportunity to show the large exhibit you have always had in the back of your mind. Plus, the best-of-show

award in the spring show is the Franklin Mint medal, a five-ounce 14K gold medal.

Bob Everett Memorial Award

It is time to nominate individuals to receive the Bob Everett memorial award in 2001. If you know of someone who has made valuable contributions to numismatics in the Pacific Northwest, please send secretary Boling a statement describing the individual's work.

University Coin Club Turns Forty

The University Coin Club in Seattle will celebrate its 40th birthday at its meeting on 12 October. Founded in 1960, the club still counts over thirty active members, many of whom are or have been PNNA officers. Several past presidents of the club are expected to attend the October meeting; collectors in the Seattle area who are not members are invited to join the celebration.

Boling's Ride for Multiple Sclerosis

PNNA secretary/treasurer Joe Boling was able to collect just over \$1,000 in pledges from those who supported his two-day bicycle ride to benefit the National MS Society (in honor of longtime PNNA stalwart Marge Farnam). Many of those pledgers were PNNA members – thank you to all who assisted.

Ancient Numismatics (An Introduction)

Consider to possibility that you and I are Romans. Consider the possibility that what they were, we are. This is how I begin a program on The Third Century and the Fall of Rome, just one of the many programs presented at our PAN Meetings. We are The Pacific Ancient Numismatists, a club dedicated to the advancement of Ancient Numismatics in the Pacific Northwest.

Did you ever stop to consider that you and I are the inheritors of the great civilizations developed by Greece and Rome? These English words that you are reading are 2/3 Latin written with the Latin Alphabet. Our Democratic form of government was developed in Ancient Athens and our Republican Constitution in Ancient Rome. The Atomic Theory was first proposed in Greece as well as the Germ Theory of Disease. Time does not allow me to discuss all the many benefits that the ancients have passed down to us.

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Now consider that very few of us actually own a genuine piece of art created by our ancient benefactors. This is a situation that never has to exist. Ancient coins can tell us so much about our common past and the people who lived it. Anybody of moderate means can own an ancient coin or several of them. Any number of different themes can be used to build an impressive collection.

Our club is a resource for collectors who want to learn and grow in this wonderful hobby. We welcome and encourage beginners to fully participate in all of our activities. We have as members experienced collectors as well as respected professionals who are more than willing to guide and assist you.

This is the first of what I hope will be a regular feature of this our PNNA newsletter. Additional information regarding PAN may be secured by writing to P.O. Box 60283 Shoreline, WA 98160, or e-mail: jobar@ctr.net

PNNA Speakers List

See the PNNA web site, or write to Joe Boling.

Selected Numismatic Sites on the Web

ANA — www.money.org
 Coin Link — www.coinlink.com
 Coin Universe — www.coin-universe.com
 Coin World — www.coinworld.com
 eBay — www.ebay.com (auctions)
 Krause — www.krause.com and
 www.collectit.net (auctions, etc.)
 PNNA — www.money.org/club_pnna_index.html
 U.S. Mint — www.usmint.gov

PNNA Member Sites

Steve Estes — www.SteveEstes.com
 Eric Holcomb — members.aol.com/EHolc48
 Carl Honoré (Matthew Boulton website) —
 www.geocities.com/mboulton1797
 Pacific Ancient Numismatists —
 www.oz.net/~hydrodon/pan
 Rick Snow — www.indiancent.com
 Willamette Coin Club — www.alfirin.net/wcc

Classified Ads

Tom Sheehan will pay cash for numismatic libraries. He is also interested in buying old numismatic literature as well as medals of a commemorative or historic nature. Tom is also interested in taking those old auction catalogues off of your hands.

Tom Sheehan is eager to find any printed information, letters, photos or other memorabilia that has to do with some old time members of the PNNA. Tom is looking for information on Paul Fouts, C.C. Saeman and Jack Koch. Tom is planning a display and would appreciate any background information on these people that other members can provide.

P.O. Box 1477, Edmonds, WA 98020

Phone (Edmonds) — 425-672-1334 (if Tom is out please leave name and phone number)

E-mail — twsheeh@attglobal.net

Deadline for submission of material for 1st Quarter 2001 Nor'wester: December 15, 2000.

Send ad copy to Eric Holcomb (e-mail EHolc48@aol.com), and payment to the PNNA secretary/treasurer. Call Eric Holcomb at 253-850-2996 for more info.

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 \$10.00 (1/6-page)
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 \$25.00 (1/2-page)
 \$45.00 (full page)
 Full page color — price on request

Next PNNA Board Meeting

The date of the next PNNA board meeting has not been announced. Please contact Scott Loos or Joe Boling if you would like to attend.

PNNA members are welcome to submit ideas for educational activities or other events in advance of scheduled board meetings.

phone 719/632-2646 **American Numismatic Association News** www.money.org

ANA'S PHILADELPHIA SHOW IS SIMPLY THE BEST — The ANA World's Fair of Money 2000 in Philadelphia was outstanding in every respect. Nearly 21,000 people came through the doors of the Pennsylvania Convention Center between August 9 and 13, with the ANA recycling registration badges to provide the thousands of new visitors each day with access to the sold-out bourse. A record-number of new members (353) signed up at the convention, and the ANA sold out of its World Mints Passports, which offered convention attendees the opportunity to get coins from 22 mints at the show.

Dealers were busy throughout the convention, as people stood in line to buy and sell coins, paper money, tokens and medals. ANA authenticator Brian Silliman saw at least six 1907 high-relief Saint-Gaudens \$20 gold pieces brought in for authentication.

An extensive newspaper, television and radio advertising and publicity campaign, orchestrated by the ANA and Minkus & Dunne Communications of Chicago, drew tremendous attention throughout the media. Much of the news attention was focused on the "Ship of Gold," the first public display in Philadelphia of California Gold Rush sunken treasure from the 1857 wreck of the S.S. Central America. Valued at \$20 million, the Ship of Gold educational exhibit was presented by the California Gold Marketing Group. (The exhibit also will be available for public viewing at the ANA's National Money Show™ in Salt Lake City, March 8-10, 2001.)

A film crew from the History Channel set up on the bourse during the show, gathering material for a four-hour program on gold expected to air next year.

The U.S. Mint's new director, Jay W. Johnson, helped to open the show after a letter of welcome from President Clinton was read. Throughout the five-day event, Johnson visited with collectors, dealers, visitors and representatives from other world mints.

Auctions by Bowers and Merena, which conducted the official ANA sale, realized nearly \$6.95 million in the five-session sale. The first discovered specimen of the Sacagawea dollar with a Washington quarter obverse sold for \$29,900!

ANA CALLS FOR REDESIGN OF COINAGE — Claiming that "coins are the calling cards of a nation," ANA President H. Robert Campbell said that America's coins today are "not worthy of this great nation."

Speaking at a symposium today in Washington, D.C., organized by Senate Banking Chairman Phil Gramm (R-Texas), Campbell proposed redesigning the nation's coins without discarding the subjects on them.

"Americans are too conservative to accept such a drastic change," Campbell told Gramm and representatives of the United States Mint, Smithsonian Institution and American Numismatic Society. "We are here today to discuss America's coinage and the possibility of new designs," he said, adding that discussions likely would stall if the panelists advocated replacing one or two of the Presidents who now appear on the nation's coins.

"Before suggesting such a change, we must consider the political ramifications of that action," Campbell added. "Perhaps we should simply take a lesson from our friends at the United States Bureau of Engraving and Printing, who redesigned our nation's paper money without casting aside the familiar subjects."

"Do our circulating coins today embody our heritage and provide the same hope they did 80 or 90 years ago?" Campbell asked. "I think not! Can we do better? We not only can . . . We must!"

In representing the 30,000-member ANA, Campbell noted that the 50 State Quarters Program, launched by the U.S. Mint in 1999, demonstrates that Americans "not only can accept new designs for their coins, but also can embrace them."

Minutes of PNNA board meeting

26 August 2000, Tacoma, Washington

The meeting was called to order by President Scott Loos at 6:17 PM. Present were vice-president Larry Gaye, secretary/treasurer Joe Boling, directors Richard Billings, Del Cushing, Marge Farnam, Eric Holcomb, Paul Longcrier, Art Lowrie, Bill McKivor, and Larry Rowe, and members Don Farnam, Lisa Loos, and Kathy Rowe.

Moved and seconded (Rowe/Billings) to approve the minutes of the 27 May meeting as published. Passed.

Rowe: congratulations to Joe Boling for receiving the Glenn Smedley award at the ANA convention. Congratulations also to Scott Loos for receiving the Terry Armstrong outstanding regional coordinator award. Scott also picked up the 25 year membership plaque for the PNNA as an ANA club member.

Pending business from the last meeting accomplished: we have received the ANA/ANS quarter boards and will distribute them at the Puyallup Fair. The PNNA awards for club participation in the ANA's National Coin Week awards were made and announced in the last *Nor'wester*.

Show committee report: no conflicts with major conventions. A conflict with a smaller local show seems to be working itself out. The promoter was called as soon as we knew of the conflict, but phone tag caused a lag so that he was last to learn about his conflict. He wrote a long letter to president Loos; secretary Boling got same letter, handwritten. This promoter has not set up at a PNNA show for many years. After discussion, the following action was decided: reply by letter, reiterating the process that we used for selecting the date and apologizing for the conflict. We hope that he does not leave the PNNA, because working together we can do better than staying estranged. Do not offer a financial compensation (bourse fee reduction, etc). President Loos to write the letter.

Continuing show report: need some guidance on pricing tables (a show committee meeting followed the board meeting). Will try to have bourse applications in the mail within 30 days. We have been referred by the Tukwila chamber of commerce to a caterer, but that individual would only deliver preordered box lunches. Will look for another caterer. Hospitality room for dealers? Yes. Security costs have not been determined yet. (Long discussion of security procedures (inside or outside, dogs, etc).) Publicity: have paid initial fee to *Coin World* and will be in *Numismatic News*. Gaye has publicity examples of press releases and so forth.

Still need chairs for security and hospitality. Lisa Loos will help with hospitality. Kathy Rowe volunteers to do hospitality. Del and Larry Rowe to do security. Separate accounts for show? No, use PNNA accounts with separate accounting. Boling to accomplish. McKivor – numismatic theater? Billings – Sheehan asked for one. Have plenty of space. Now is the time to start lining up speakers and prospecting for “names” to bring in. Some ANA officers have expressed an interest. McKivor to chair the theater. Cushing – wants to run a YN program like the one at ANA in Philadelphia. Had goodie bags for YN's with donated materials, and treasure trivia game.

Loos – from Sheehan, request to put on seminar (his risk/expense) using one of the classrooms at the center. Topic not yet determined; he will charge tuition. Discussion on availability of space and getting a share of the proceeds. We do not want to provide free space for no return. Marge Farnam wants to know what the topic is going to be. Gaye feels that we don't want to distract people from our own numismatic theater, and that if Sheehan is going to provide something we should get some compensation. Moved/seconded (Billings/Lowrie) to authorize President Loos to continue discussions to provide space with compensation. Gaye: would rather have seminar as a pre-show (which would eliminate the use of our space, as it would be outside the days that we have contracted to use the community center).

The new Mariott Courtyard (where Andy's used to be) at Southcenter will provide a shuttle from the airport and to the community center for \$79/night.

Sheehan also wants to have medals for exhibitors/judges similar to ANA, for judges/exhibitors only, at cost of \$1,200 for artist, Sheehan to provide medals (individually signed/numbered). The artist would also make a presentation at the numismatic theater (Sheehan would pay for the artist's transportation). Decision: should pursue this with Sheehan (too many questions to make a decision at this meeting).

Holcomb: do we want our own web domain, or to stay as a tenant on the ANA site? Moved/seconded (Cushing/Gaye) to register our own domain (www.pnna.org). Passed. {However, this will need to be revisited because domain hosting involves a monthly fee in addition to a \$35/year registration charge.}

Marge Farnam observed that the new show in the Tacoma Dome has a name close to our own (Pacific NW Coin and Bullion Show).

The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 PM. Minutes recorded by Joseph Boling, Secretary.

COIN SHOW and EVENT CALENDAR

To list a show contact Del Cushing; P.O. Box 88984, Seattle, WA 98138-2984; Phone 206-244-1596. Highlighted shows and events are PNNA or ANA sponsored or co-sponsored.

2000

SEPT 30 KENT VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave. N., Kent, Wa.
 SEPT 30 – OCT 1 OREGON STATE 7TH ANNUAL COIN SHOW, Holiday Inn at Portland Airport, Portland, Ore.
 OCT 8 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, Wa.
 OCT 14 KIRKLAND/EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Kirkland Best Western Hotel, 12223 NE 116th, Kirkland, Wa.
 OCT 14-15 INLAND EMPIRE COIN CLUB SHOW, Shilo Inn Hotel, 923 East 3rd, Spokane Wa.
 NOV 4-5 TACOMA-LAKEWOOD COIN CLUB SHOW, LaQuinta Inn, Portland Ave. & I-5, Tacoma, Wa.
 NOV 11 ISSAQUAH/EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Holiday Inn, 1801 12th Ave NW, Issaquah, Wa.
 NOV 12 COWLITZ COIN CLUB SHOW, AWPPW Hall, 724 15th Ave., Longview, Wa.
 NOV 18-19 EVERETT COIN CLUB's 40th ANNUAL SHOW, Normanna Hall, 2723 Oakes Ave., Everett, Wa.
 NOV 18-19 TRI-CITY COIN CLUB SHOW, Hampton Inn, 486 Bradley Blvd., Richland, Wash.
 NOV 25-26 THE HOLIDAY COIN SHOW, LaQuinta Inn, I-5 & Portland Ave., Tacoma, Wa.
 DEC 2 OLYMPIA/SOUTH SOUND COIN SHOW, VFW Hall, 2902½ Martin Way, Olympia, Wa.
 DEC 3 NORTHWEST TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY, King Oscar Motel, 8820 So. Hosmer, Tacoma, Wa.
 DEC 9 KENT VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave No., Kent, Wa.
 DEC 10 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, Wa.
 DEC 15-17 PACIFIC NORTHWEST COIN, CURRENCY & BULLION SHOW, Tacoma Dome, I-5 Exit 133, Tacoma, Wa.

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JAN 6-7 GREATER TACOMA COIN SHOW, LaQuinta Inn, I-5 & Portland Ave., Tacoma, Wa.

JAN 13 KIRKLAND-EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Kirkland Best Western Hotel, 12223 NE 116th, Kirkland, Wa.

JAN 20-21 BOEING EMPLOYEES COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave., Kent, Wa.

FEB 4 NORTHWEST TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY, King Oscar Motel, 8820 So. Hosmer, Tacoma, Wa.

FEB 10 KENT VALLEY COIN SHOW, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave No., Kent, Wa.

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

FEB 17 ISSAQUAH-EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Holiday Inn, 1801 12th Ave. NW., Issaquah, Wa.

MAR 3-4 GRAY'S HARBOR COIN CLUB SHOW, South Shore Mall, 1017 S. Boone St., Aberdeen, Wa.

MARCH 8-10 ANA National Money Show™, Salt Lake City, Utah.

MAR 10-11 TACOMA-LAKEWOOD COIN CLUB SHOW, LaQuinta Inn, I-5 & Portland Ave., Tacoma, Wa.

MAR 17 KIRKLAND-EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Kirkland Best Western Hotel, 12223 NE 116th, Kirkland, Wa.

APR 8 FENWICK STAMP & COIN SHOW, Eagles #1, Corson & Michigan, Seattle, Wa.

APRIL 21-22 BELLINGHAM COIN & STAMP SHOW, Ferndale Band Boosters Building, Exit 262 off I-5, 5330 La Bounty Dr, Ferndale, Wa.

APRIL 29 NORTH WEST TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY, King Oscar Motel, 88th & So. Hosmer, Tacoma, Wa.

MAY 4-5-6 PACIFIC NORTHWEST NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION, Tukwila Community Center, 12424 42nd Ave. So., Tukwila, Wa.

MAY 12 ISSAQUAH-EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Holiday Inn, 1801 12th Ave. NW., Issaquah, Wa.

MAY 26-27 GREATER TACOMA COIN SHOW, LaQuinta Inn, I-5 & Portland Ave., Tacoma, Wa.

JUN 9 KIRKLAND-EASTSIDE COIN SHOW, Kirkland Best Western Hotel, 12223 NE 116th, Kirkland, Wa.

JULY 14-15 NORTH WEST TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY'S 15th ANNUAL CONVENTION, Marshall Recreation Center, Exit 1C off I-5, 1009 E. McLoughlin Blvd., Vancouver, Wa.
